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## What Will They Think?

Hungarian Offers Suggestions Concerning The Visit Of Russian Baptist Leaders

By BELA UDVARNOKI

(Editor's Note: The author is former President of the Baptist Theological Seminary, Budapest, Hungary. At present he is Professor at Chowan College and Chaplain at Riverside Manufacturing Company, Murfreesboro, North Carolina.)

We read with anticipation

the report that the leaders of our Russian Baptist brethren probably will come to this country next spring. Their visit is another welcomed sign of the softening of the East-West tension. And let us hope it is also the symptom of the lightening of the force of oppression on our Baptists in Russia. They will tell us about their experiences, will relate to us great reports of their faith victories that overcame the cruelties and inhumanities of the Stalin regime. Their testimony will be uplifting and inspiring to our people. What will be their findings here? With what kind of stories will they return to their poor and oppressed people from this free, rich country?

I think I am able to see with their eyes and place myself in their position, for I had the privilege of spending a few weeks with our Russian brethren in Carpathian Russia in 1942-43. What I found among those Russian Baptists is generally true of the majority of Baptists in Russia.

Our Russian visitors will be impressed by all the wealth and liberty in this country. They will visit our latest and best equipped churches. But when the conversation will come to the Word of God and to Christian experiences, one will have to be wise. These Russian Baptists know their Bible, but they have not had much time to catch up with our advanced knowledge of psychology in religion. Their theology is a robust and lasting experience with God amidst fear and tribulation; their proofs and arguments were generated in cold freight-cars on their forced trips to Siberia. Their religious conception and convictions are not yet "air-conditioned" like ours. What can we give them in exchange for their vital experience with Christ?

Imagine an humble log-cabin in a far away Siberian camp with forty or fifty people in it worshipping. Part of them are Baptists, some Stundists, and

some Greek Orthodox! There is the first and last bond between them: that is the Blood of Christ.

The Russian Baptists will be most impressed by our large and well equipped churches and will be amazed to see the educational buildings. Their first conclusion will be: with all these riches and — by Russian standards — unheard of equipment — religion must be deep and fervent and the Biblical knowledge of our Sunday School pupils unexcelled. Possibly on that Sunday when our Russian visitors arrive, the church will be packed. But please, please don't mention to them how many names are on the roll! They will be most confused to see only 800 people.

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## Ole Miss To Be Site Of Speech Conf.

A Conference on "Speech for Ministers and Religious Workers" will be held at the University of Mississippi April 23-24. Sponsored by the Oxford Ministerial Association in collaboration with the University, the conference will present instruction in five areas of speech.

Oral reading, public address, radio and television, discussion methods, and the theatre in church work will be covered by the group method during the conference, each participant rotating to a new group at each session.

Dr. Charles McGlon, Chairman of the Department of Speech, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Kentucky, will be the visiting speaker for the conference. He will lead the public address group and in addition will discuss methods of after dinner speaking during a dinner in the University Cafeteria the evening of April 23.

The remaining group discussions will be led by University Department of Speech professors.

Dr. William H. Willis, Chairman of the University's Department of Classics will give a short discussion of his department's recently acquired biblical manuscripts during lunch the first day of the conference.

The conference will be designed to present information on speaking of value to all categories of church worker, full and part time.

## Closing Of Kent Estate Announced Headrick Again Heads Trustees



Garner W. Green, executor of the estate of the late Mrs. Bessie Eastland Kent of Forest, is shown above presenting a check to the Rev. Lowrey Compere, president of Clarke Memorial College, representing a part of the bequest for the college. In Mrs. Kent's will. In the foreground with Mr. Compere are Horace Headrick of Laurel, chairman of the board, left, and Reynolds S. Cheney, right. Looking on are trustees Roy Kuykendall, Newton; W. L. McMullan, Newton; Dr. Lewis Rhodes, Jackson; the Rev. Estus Mason, Crystal Springs; the Rev. Glenn Dismukes, Handsboro and W. A. Taylor, Louisville.

The trustees of Clarke Memorial College, Newton, have just received notice that the way is now clear for the college to receive the legacy left a year ago by the late Mrs. Bessie Eastland Kent, of Forest, and that the total value of the legacy will be about \$100,000. The Honorable Garner W. Green, Executor of the estate, appearing before the Board of Trustees in a meeting in Jackson, and informed them of the above action.

Mr. Green presented to President Lowrey Compere a check for \$5,600, the remaining cash

on hand, and announced that the various stocks and other securities worth approximately \$100,000, will be transferred over the next few months. The late Judge Kent was for many years a trustee of Clarke College, having been one of the original trustees when the school was established in 1908. Mrs. Kent served for some time as a speech teacher and later as a trustee.

The trustees have voted to place the legacy from this estate in the permanent endowment fund of the college.

Since Mrs. Kent was especially interested in making it possible for many students to secure an education who could not otherwise do so, the trustees look with favor upon the use of some portion of the earnings from this endowment in expanding the work-scholarship program of the school and in its student loan fund.

During the business session of the Board meeting, the trustees unanimously elected Horace Headrick of Laurel, as Chairman; Rev. Estus Mason, Crystal Springs, Vice-Chairman; and Rev. W. W. Herrin, Eupora, Secretary. Other trustees present in addition to the officers were Roy Kuykendall and W. L. McMullan of Newton, Rev. Glenn Dismukes, of Handsboro, Mr. W. A. Taylor of Louisville, and Dr. Lewis Rhodes of Jackson.

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## N. C. Baptists Name Full-Time Church Building Consultant

DURHAM, N. C. (RNS) — Appointment of a full-time church building consultant was announced by the North Carolina Baptist State Convention. The appointee, L. L. Morgan of Raleigh, will have the title of secretary of Church Planning and Statistics for North Carolina. He will serve as adviser on the building needs of the state's 800,000 Baptists.

Mr. Morgan has been performing such a task in an unofficial capacity and as an "extra" service for a number of years in addition to his regular duties as statistical secretary of the Convention.

Convention leaders said a consultant is needed to confer with city and rural congregations as they draw up plans for their new building. "If we can get to them before a member gets a pencil and starts drawing, we can be of great help to the church," Mr. Morgan said.

"We tell each group to plan for everything that is needed in their over-all plans, and not to build haphazardly as needs arise."

"We talk to people about making their church functional, beautiful, acquiring sufficient property for future expansion, adequate insurance coverage and similar problems."

## 'No Retreat' Says Jordan Missionary

### Yugoslavian Pastor Coming To America

TUPELO, Miss. — (BP) — A Yugoslavian Baptist minister will arrive in the United States Feb. 11 to study work of Southern Baptist Convention churches, according to John A. Moore, Southern Baptist missionary to Yugoslavia.

"I believe Southern Baptist people would profit greatly by hearing Mr. Klem's report of the work in this part of the world," Moore said. "I am sure that despite some difficulty with English he will be able to tell his story in an interesting and effective way."

He is Franjo Klem, young people's secretary for Baptists there.

Churches wishing to have Klem speak should contact him in care of Mrs. W. A. Moore, 118 S. Green St., Tupelo, Miss. "He will need some help on travel expense (since he is making this entire trip at his own expense, at considerable sacrifice) but the amount need not be large from any one group or church," Missionary Moore added.

Klem plans to be in the country about two months.

## Young People Are Important

By Dr. W. A. CRISWELL, Pastor, First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas

Think of it! These 5,924,697 young people are our opportunity. These are the young people, 17-24 years of age, living in our Southern Baptist Convention territory who are not enrolled in any Sunday school. If they were to stand at attention, side by side, they would form a line reaching all the way from the North Carolina beach to the Pacific Ocean in California.

What an army for the Lord! What a potential strength for our churches! What a glorious challenge to Southern Baptists! Young people constitute the second largest group of possibilities for our Sunday schools, and yet in the average Southern Baptist Lord's Day school they constitute the smallest group enrolled. Somewhere along the way, Southern Baptist churches have lost step with most of their young men and women.

Our churches to survive must make an appeal to this choice group of tomorrow's leadership. They offer to us our second largest soul-winning possibility. Churches that are reaching young people also report they constitute the second largest group in giving tithes and offerings.

They are making important decisions during this period which will mold and shape their future, and also mold and shape the destiny of our nation and our churches. It has been said that approximately 70 per cent of all the marriages take place during this age span, and that approximately 50 per cent of all the babies are born to them.

The rate of speed by which our churches will grow, the type and kind of homes which will be formed in the future in our nation, the kind of leadership which we will have in our cities, states, and nation, the speed by which the gospel of salvation will be carried to the needy and lost world — all of these are dependent to a great degree on what Southern Baptists will do for the young people of this day.

We can reach many of these young people. Churches which are providing good leadership, proper organization, and challenge

CEDARTOWN, Ga. — (BP) — Southern Baptist missionaries in Ajloun, Jordan, plan to remain at their posts despite the necessity of military protection following riots which caused heavy damage to mission property there.

Mrs. L. A. Lovegren, wife of a Southern Baptist missionary in Ajloun, wrote her mother, Mrs. Cordelia Grimes, in Cedartown:

"I'd rather die in my place than live a million years with the memory that I had run away."

Her husband is the medical missionary at the damaged mission hospital. The riots have been attributed to opponents of Jordan's entry into the Middle East Treaty Organization.

Writing Jan. 13, Mrs. Lovegren said the stone building which housed the clinic, pharmacy, and laboratory was burned as were the school and some residences occupied by mission employees.

"We now have 50 army men on the place and they will stay

as long as needed," she said. "Don't be afraid for us. They don't want to hurt people; they just want to destroy property and of course steal what they can. It is not against us especially but against all foreigners in the country."

In an earlier letter Mrs. Lovegren wrote:

"If this is the hardest thing we have to endure for Christ then we aren't very honored servants of his. If you think I'd rather run away from trouble than to be in the midst of it, then you don't know your daughter very well."

The Lovegrens were appointed in 1951. Mrs. Lovegren is a native of Cedartown and Lovegren was born in China, the son of missionary parents.

## Dr. Quarles Explains Scope Of Evangelistic Conference

What is the Mississippi Baptist Evangelistic Conference, to meet in Tupelo's Harrisburg Baptist Church Monday and Tuesday? This question has been asked perhaps by many on the eve of the conference.

Perhaps best qualified to answer that is Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, state Baptist executive secretary - treasurer who will direct the meeting. He says:

"The churches composing the Mississippi Baptist Convention believe in evangelism. We believe in the primacy of evangelism. We believe in a Bible-centered church-centered program of evangelism."

"We believe that a person is saved by the grace of God through his faith in a personal savior the Lord Jesus Christ."

"During the associational year of 1954 we baptized 16,448 and in the associational year of 1955 we baptized 16,280. The 1955

figures will be released during the conference in Tupelo.

"Our churches, through our convention, maintain a perennial emphasis on evangelism-winning the lost."

"One event in this emphasis is our state evangelistic conference. At this time we have a great conference, magnifying evangelism, to which our pastors and other leaders come."

"Messages on the tremendous themes of evangelism are delivered by outstanding speakers. Those attending are inspired and challenged to return home and lead their churches to greater efforts in the field of evangelism."

"We believe the conference here will make a tremendous impact on the life and work of Mississippi Baptists as it pertains to the important phase of winning the lost."

"That is what the State Evangelistic Conference is."

## Conference Visitors Are Invited To Visit Book Store And Tract Room

Two important extra attractions at the State Baptist Evangelistic Conference to be held in Tupelo Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 11-12 will be the tract room and the Baptist Bookstore exhibit.

The tract room will be quartered just west of the sanctuary and will be a busy place passing out various tracts and other materials helpful to the churches in their work.

A various assortment of the newest tracts featuring evangelism, missions and other subjects will be available.

Miss Bettye McNeill, tract secretary in the Baptist Build-

ing in Jackson, will be in charge. All tracts will be free of charge.

The Baptist Bookstore exhibit will be most complete, according to Mrs. O. M. Jones, of Jackson, manager, who will be in charge of the exhibit, to be located in the ground floor auditorium.

Books and many other materials especially related to evangelism will be displayed and offered for sale, according to Mrs. Jones.

Every Baptist church member in the Tupelo area is invited to visit both the tract room and the Bookstore exhibit.

## Asks Restrictions On Healing Evangelists

MIAMI, Fla. (RNS) — The Rev. Wilfred P. Harman, executive director of the Greater Miami Council of Churches, has called for stiff county and city restrictions on touring "tent" evangelists.

In particular, he attacked activities of the Rev. Jack Coe, Dallas, Tex., "faith healer" now in this area.

Mr. Harman said tent meetings that make money "smack of religious racketeering."

"All major denominations here have the same point of view," he said. "They frown on the approach Coe and other traveling tent evangelists use."

"We believe the power of prayer can help in healing, but we don't believe in or approve of the approach people like Coe use. Faith in God certainly can assist in the healing process. But not the way Coe approaches it, as though his laying a hand on the sick can cure them."

## Retiring Ministers May File Claims Any Time

The Baptist Press mistakenly reported Dec. 17 that retiring ministers have only four filing dates for social security claims during the year.

Actually, ministers may file at any time and should do so as soon after retiring as possible.

## Evangelism Conference Promises Inspiration, Information, Challenge

Mississippi Baptists will hold their first major statewide meeting in extreme north Mississippi in several years when the State Evangelistic Conference gets underway Monday afternoon at Harrisburg Church in Tupelo.

Up to 500 Mississippi Baptist pastors and other church and associational leaders from every section of the state are expected to attend.

"The Divine Imperative" will be the theme of the annual conference, to begin at 1:50 Monday afternoon and adjourn at 9:00 o'clock Tuesday night.

A strong program, featuring information, inspiration and challenge, will be presented, according to Dr. Chester L. Quarles, Jackson, state Baptist executive secretary-treasurer, who will direct the conference and preside over one of the sessions.

Program personalities will include a score of outstanding speakers, including four out-of-state visitors as well as a number of Mississippi leaders.

Speaking three times on "The Harvest of the Spirit" will be Dr. Dale Moody, professor of systematic theology, Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky.

Dr. Leonard Sanderson, secretary of evangelism, Southern Baptist Home Mission Board, Dallas, will speak twice and will

be making his initial Mississippi appearance.

Dr. Jaroy Weber, pastor First Church, West Monroe, La., will speak once on "Perennial Revival in a Church."

Dr. E. N. Patterson, professor of homiletics, New Orleans Seminary, will speak three times on "Fundamentals for Preaching Today."

Leading the music will be W. C. Morgan, Jackson, state music secretary, with Mrs. Howard Aultman, of the host church staff, at the organ.

Many visitors will be quartered in local homes as well as hotels and motels. Many of those in the Northeast area will commute daily.

Presiding over the five sessions will be members of the State Convention Board committee on evangelism. They include:

Rev. O. B. Robertson, Raleigh, chairman; Rev. Clifton Perkins, West Point; Dr. W. P. Davis, Florida; and Rev. Otis Seal, Itta Bena.

Several local committees are busy making preparations for the meeting. The conference is sponsored annually by the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board. Cooperating this year is the Lee County Baptist Association and the Northeast Baptist Pastor's Conference.



## What Will They . . .

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"crowding" in the auditorium — out of 1600 members! And don't try to explain to them that out of 1600, 400 are non-resident and 400 are inactive members. These Russian Baptists are a little backward in our having only one kind of membership according to their rather old practices.

We must take utmost caution not to let our visitors go to our prayer meeting services unannounced — with the exception perhaps of the First Baptist in Atlanta and a few others. They will find the magnificent "sanctuary" dark and empty — but there will be 30-50 people in a subterranean room. They will represent about one tenth of the membership. Was then the prince of preachers, Spurgeon, right when he wrote a book under the title, **ONLY A PRAYER MEETING?**

The services which our Baptists from Russia will attend will be uplifting. That seems certain to me. For they have a message. Whether they will be annoyed by our elaborate and intended "worshipful" order of worship — I am not sure. However, I am afraid they will be reluctant to inform their people at home that a "pastoral" prayer is not quite so effective without soft organ music, and the "Amen" is regarded quite efficacious if the choir chants it — possibly the seven-fold one.

Before we let our Russian brethren loose among our churches we'd better give them a course of lectures on our modern Baptist vocabulary. There are certain expressions and idioms that one cannot be translated into Russian: Half-time church. Of course, the component words are known, but in their composition they do not make sense. There is no equivalent to it in Russia, neither in the dictionary, nor in life.

The other, non-resident member. In Russia a member is always a "resident" somewhere, and wherever he resides there he is a member. It is natural for a Russian — but seems to be too simple for us. Another good expression to be explained to the Russians is: Licensed minister of the Gospel. They would spend hours trying to find in the Bible the word "license," (they know the word "ordination") and would feel horrified over their ignorance. We can help them by explaining that these expressions are not in the Bible but in our practices. What our Russian guests, because of their politeness, will not ask audibly is: Why should we blame the Roman Catholics for practicing and teaching things which are not in the Bible when these American Baptists are doing the same?

I am most certain that there will be at least one more important item the Baptists from Russia will investigate here and that is: How did the Baptists of America utilize their religious freedom in the last 30 years? The Baptists of Russia, mildly said, were limited in the scope of their work. They were not permitted to maintain Sunday Schools; they had to pay taxes

on church property; they were regarded practically enemies of the Communist state; they had no chance of advancement in politics, in teaching, in business, in government, for all these agencies and positions in the branches of the state were reserved for good Communists.

Russian Baptists, it is true, are Russians, and they compromised somewhat with the Communist government. They had to save their very lives. But we should not be particular about this compromise either. Was not the bloody Stalin with his persecuting, atheist Communists our dear ally during the war? What was expedient for us, was and is a matter of life and death for them. The Baptists of Russia will admit that the progress they made was not great — not quantitatively. They just survived. There is, however, an advancement in quality. The great fire in Russia purified them, and they exist gloriously today proving that the cause of our Lord is indestructible and Christ is victorious. They have stood the test of persecution. How did we stand the test of freedom? It would be most interesting to know what they will think.

We should see to it by any means that our Russian Baptist friends will attend both the Southern Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Convention. The multitude of Baptists, the wholehearted singing of the Gospel hymns; will be a great experience for them. That will be one of those high-lights, they will speak of as wonders to their people back in Russia. When they emerge from the Convention Hall, they will see the brethren having happy fellowship in the vestibule and outside on the sidewalk. They will also notice the cigars and cigarettes.

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## Young People . . .

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lending programs are reaching them in an ever-increasing number. We are finding that young people, because of the wide age range of 17-24 and because of the various activities in which they are engaged, are divided into five distinct groups. These are: Younger singles — 17 and 18, older singles — 19-24, married, college, and those in the service of our country. Churches that are reaching them are providing classes and departments for each of these distinctive groups. We cannot mix them and expect to reach them.

We pray that pastors and Sunday school workers all across our Convention territory will see this tremendous army of unenlisted young people, about six million in number, and then seriously, with the help of God, reach them for him. Southern Baptists can! Southern Baptists must! Southern Baptists will!

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## Russell Hitt . . .

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expect that this will have an effect. Then they ask the Lord to bless their work.

Dr. Cook pointed out that the Communists are "always looking for new ways to present their ideas — and they are taking great areas of the world without firing a shot."

## SS CONVENTION THEME: "BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL"

The theme of the Mississippi Baptist Sunday School Convention to be held at First Church, Jackson on Monday and Tuesday, March 12-13, is "Bible Study For All."

Conference leaders include: Cradle Roll, Miss Hannah Brummitt; Nursery, Mrs. W. L. Howse; Beginner, Mrs. R. S. Entzinger; Primary, Mrs. Maynard Hadley; Junior, Mrs. Allen B. Cornish; Intermediate, Allen B. Cornish; Young People, James V. Lackey; Adult, Ralph E. Longshore; Extension, Mrs. Will S. McCraw; Pastors, Superintendents, and Educational Directors, Mack R. Douglas.

Dr. E. C. Williams is State Sunday School Secretary.

Others on the program include Mrs. O. M. Jones, Baptist Book Store; Dr. C. C. Warren, President of the SBC; W. A. Harrell, Department of Church Architecture; Reid Moore and Miss Hazel Chisholm are in charge of the music.

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## Woman's Missionary Union

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## HOME MISSION WEEK OF PRAYER

March 5-9, 1956

### With Eyes Open

It is right for them to keep their eyes open during the prayer in church. Why?

They are the deaf and are being led in prayer by the man who is speaking with his hands. They must keep heads up and eyes open.

You can help them have a chance to "hear" because our Home Mission Board will use \$7,500 of the Annie Armstrong Offering for work among the deaf.

### What Kind of USA Do You Want?

What kind of United States of America do you want? A Christian nation?

You can answer your question by your gift to the Annie Armstrong Offering which the Home Mission Board counts on for 40 per cent of its mission support.

### How?

"How shall they hear without a preacher? How shall they preach except they be sent?" 19,000,000 youth between ages of 19 and 23 in our country are outside any church.

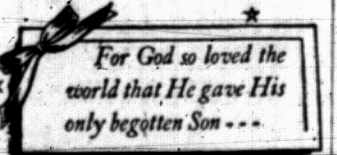
60,000,000 people in Southern Baptist Convention territory are without Christ.

Through the Annie Armstrong Offering the Home Mission Board sends preachers of the good news of salvation. Give to the Annie Armstrong Offering.



Calvary Columbia WMS. CALVARY COLUMBIA WMS observes Focus Week, Sunday all of the members of the WMS wore tags of WMU emblems, composed the choir and rendered special music for the morning worship service. The group was recognized by the pastor. The pastor preached a missionary sermon. Monday subscriptions for Royal Service reached 100 per cent — "Every woman with her own Royal Service."

Tuesday all members attended the Association. WMU meeting. Much information and inspiration was received by all. The climax of Focus Week was reached Wednesday evening when the WMU members were hosts at a "Teaquet" to all the women members of Calvary church. — Mrs. Coy Bass, President —BR—



## SS CONVENTION THEME: "BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL"

An Episcopal clergyman's contention that alcohol "is one of the creations of God and . . . is good" has stirred much comment in Capital church circles.

The Rev. David A. Works, president of the North Conway (N. H.) Foundation on Alcoholism, addressed members of Christ (Episcopal) Church, Alexandria, Va., where George Washington was a vestryman. Dr. Herbert E. Eberhardt, superintendent of the Central Union "Mission of the Churches" in a statement suggested that Mr. Works "visit the rescue missions of America and see the 'good' accomplished by alcohol in the thousands of men who of necessity seek the shelter and help of the rescue missions. The minister should visit the prisons and see the 'good' accomplished by alcohol among our prison population. He should visit the hospitals and mental institutions and see the amazing record of 'good' accomplished by the evils of alcohol. He should consider the tremendous carnage of our highway accidents directly attributable to alcohol."

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### DATES TO REMEMBER

WMU Convention, First Baptist Church, Jackson, March 20-22

Mississippi BWC Federation banquet Tuesday night, March 20, 6:15 P. M., First Baptist Church, Jackson. All Baptist business women are invited. Tickets are \$1.25 each and can be secured from the WMU Office, Box 530, Jackson. These must be secured by March 17th.

### NEWS FROM ALASKA

Dick Miller, one of our missionaries in Alaska writes "Please convey our deep appreciation to the women of Mississippi WMU who sent Christmas boxes to our missions in Kotzebue, Kobuk and Selawik. Valeria Sherrad, Charlie Sheldon and all our people join in extending thanks to those who made possible a good Christmas for all of us. The WMU can surely be proud of Valeria Sherrad, one of our Mississippi girls who carries on the Selawik work. Because of the distance I have not been able to visit Selawik since October. I hope the women will pray for Valeria as well as for us at Kotzebue."

The letter also tells about the arrival of "Richard A. Miller Jr." — the friends of Dick and Opal Miller will rejoice with them over the new comer.

In a recent issue of the Baptist Record an article appeared concerning rural church bulletins and free mailing privileges. The Baptist Record is in receipt of a letter from Mr. A. T. Monroe, District Operations Manager of the Post Office Department in Jackson concerning this. Mr. Monroe offers the following additional information. Bulletins to be mailed free must be entered as second class matter rather than the mimeographed copies which are usually mailed at the third class bulk rate.

## Hays, Adams, Graham On 1956 SBC Program

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (BP) — Congressman Brooks Hays, of Arkansas; Evangelist Billy Graham, and Theodore F. Adams, president of the Baptist World Alliance, will speak to the Southern Baptist Convention at its 99th session here May 30-June 2.

Other principal speakers include Howard Butt, Jr., layman-evangelist from Corpus Christi, Tex., and Glenn L. Archer, Washington, executive director, Protestants and Other Americans United for Separation of Church and State.

Sessions will open at 9 a. m. Wednesday, May 30, and will close at 12:45 p. m., Saturday, June 2, according to Harold G. Sanders, pastor, First Baptist Church, Tallahassee, Fla., and chairman of the committee on order of business.

The Convention will meet in the Municipal Auditorium.

Convention theme is "Righteousness Exalteth a Nation."

Congressman Hays chairman of the Southern Baptist Christian Life Commission, will address the Convention during the commission's report Wednesday at 7:15 p. m.

"America for Christ" will be subject of Graham's message at 8 p. m. Wednesday, following the report of the Convention's Home Mission Board.

Adams, pastor of First Baptist Church, Richmond, Va., will speak at 11:45 a. m., Thursday during the report of the Baptist World Alliance, a fellowship of 21 million Baptists in the world.

Archer, head of an organization which fights to uphold the American principle of separation of church and state, will speak on "Separation and Spirituality" at 4 p. m. Friday.

Butt, for the second straight year, will speak on the youth night program, at 7:15 p. m. Friday.

Those who attended the 1955 Convention at Miami will notice several differences on the 1956 Convention program: (1) The Convention hall is down-

## LEARNING GOD'S GOOD WAY

By Esther Thom

Most of the time Jesus was in the midst of many people. But every once in a while he would go away by himself to talk to God.

Sometimes Jesus went into quiet fields. Sometimes he climbed to the top of a hill.

Jesus talked to God early in the morning and at the end of the day. Many times he also stopped his work to pray.

When Jesus came back from these quiet times he was always rested and eager to help people again.

READ Mark 1:35; Matthew 14:23; 26:36.

Do you ever stop your play to talk to God? Do you ever talk to God at school? Do you talk to God when you are happy, just as you talk to him when you are unhappy or afraid? How do you feel after you have spent some quiet times with God?

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## Ev. Conference First Major Baptist Meet In N. Miss. Since '33

When Mississippi Baptists begin converging on Tupelo Monday for their annual evangelistic conference the records will reveal that this will be the first time in many years that a major statewide Baptist meeting has been held there.

Tupelo is the scene however of many county and district Baptist meetings and last spring was host to the North Mississippi Royal Ambassador Congress.

The Mississippi Baptist Convention itself has met there three times in history, the last time being in 1933.

The convention met there previously in 1919 and in 1905. In years gone by when the convention was smaller it met about over the state. It met in New Albany in 1925, in Corinth in 1923, in Aberdeen in 1899, in West Point in 1889 and in Okolona in 1880.

The convention has grown now to such proportions that Jackson is about the only city in the state with facilities adequate to entertain it. Messengers and visitors often total over 2000 for one meeting.

## Clara Church Ordains Minister

Rev. Melvin R. Jones, a son of Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Jones, was recently ordained to the full gospel ministry by the Clara Church.

Dr. E. L. Scruggs of State Line brought the charge to the church and Rev. James P. Gilbert of Clara brought the charge to the candidate, Rev. Mack Prentiss Jones of McLain, a brother of the candidate, delivered the ordination sermon.

Rev. James L. Harrell, Wayne County Association Missionary, presented the Bible, with Rev. John Merritt, of Chicora and Big Creek, leading the ordination prayer.

Rev. Melvin Jones is married to the former Mary Nell Berry of Columbus. They are both graduates of Mississippi College and Mr. Jones is a first year student at the New Orleans Seminary. He has accepted a call from the Trinity Church of Wayne County and is serving as full-time student pastor.

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## PRAY about YOUR CHURCH PLEDGE

Newton Co. Pastors To Meet At Clarke

The Newton County Pastors' Conference will hold its first meeting on February 20 at 4:30 P. M. at Clarke College.

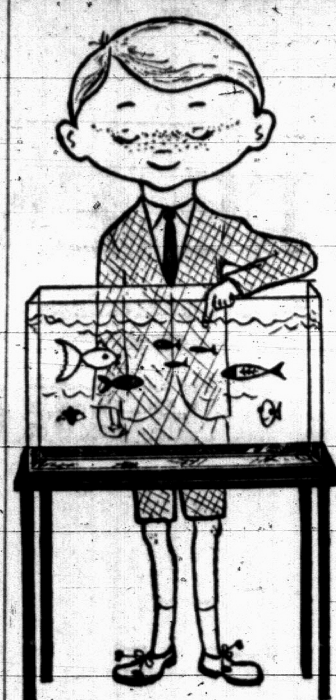
Officers will be elected; meetings will be held monthly.

Rev. Charles Everett, Newton County Association Missionary, says that all Baptist pastors in Newton County are invited to attend the meeting.

Those attending will be supper guests of Clarke College. The program following supper will close at 7:45.

# Children's Page

## LARRY LEARNS ABOUT FISHES



By Enola Chamberlin

Larry and his father were looking at the fish in the glass aquarium in the pet store. In one tank there were some tiny baby fishes.

"How do the fish hatch their eggs there in the water without any nests?" Larry asked.

"There are many ways," his father said, "for instance, that bronzy looking fish with the reddish tail and fins, called a barb, simply lays her eggs on the plant leaves and forgets all about them. They hatch out all by themselves."

"What do some of the other fish do?" Larry asked.

"The angel fish, that short almost round, grayish fish with the black bands around her body, takes care of her eggs almost as well as a mother hen does. She makes

sure that the spot where she is going to lay them is clean. With the father fish helping she scrubs it with her jaws. As soon as the eggs are laid, she and the father fish fan them with their fins so as to keep fresh water over them at all times. This goes on for about three days. Then the eggs hatch. But the little fishes are still under their parent's care. Each baby is tied to the place where he hatched by a strong filament, placed there by the mother when she laid the eggs. This keeps the young fish from being fanned away by his mother and father's fins. He may be a full week old before he breaks loose and is out from under their care."

"Look at the beautiful red fish," Larry said, "he is blowing bubbles right at the top of the water."

"That is a fightingfish," Father said. "He is making a nest of bubbles for the eggs of his mate. The mother fish lays her eggs loose in the water right under the nest. The father fish catches them in his mouth and puts them into his bubble nest. All the time they are hatching he blows more bubbles to keep the nest on top of the water where the eggs can get the oxygen they need."

"How can he catch the eggs in his mouth and not swallow them?" Larry asked.

"Maybe he does swallow a few," Father said, "but there is one fish that doesn't. That is a cichlid like that green-blue fish with the reddish

sides. The mother fish lays her eggs and then picks them all up in her mouth. She holds them there and does not eat a bite of food until they have hatched. Sometimes she has to go longer than that without eating. After the fish are hatched they dart back into her mouth if they are scared or disturbed."

When Larry and his father got home, Larry told his mother about their visit to the aquarium.

"I sure learned a lot about fish today," he said.

"And you learned something else," Mother said. "You learned how God takes care of the creatures He has made, making it possible for them to live on in their own beautiful way."

"That's right," Larry said. "God is good to the fishes just the same as He is to me."

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## IT'S FUN TO MAKE VALENTINES

By Eha-L. Bolander

Materials needed: White construction or drawing paper; paper for pattern cutting; red crayon; cutouts from magazines; paste; scissors.

First cut several patterns of hearts of different sizes. Try a large heart using paper about 6X7 inches. Try cutting paper 3½X3½ inches. Figure 1 shows how to fold the paper and cut only one half of the heart shape.

The valentine shown here is a booklet, or a folded card. To make it you must have a piece of paper twice as wide as the heart. Fold a piece of white paper and fit your heart pattern to it, as in Figure 2. Trace around the pattern and cut the folded paper. Be sure to leave a part of the folded edge uncut as shown by the dotted line in Figure 2.

Look at Figure 3. The front page is folded back and a small heart is cut as shown by the heavy line. This makes an opening in the front of the valentine.

Figure 4 shows how you can fold your valentine back in place and color a red heart through the opening.

Figure 5 shows another way to decorate the valentine. Cut a pretty picture from a magazine and paste it to the inside page. Write a greeting on the front or the inside.

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## A PRAYER

Dear God—I am glad that I can talk to you at any time and in any place. Please help me know what you want me to do. Lead me to do what is right, in Jesus' name. Amen. (Copyrighted material used by permission)

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\* RALEIGH, N. C. — (BP) — Ottis J. Hagler, pastor of First Baptist Church, Carthage, N. C., for the last 10 years, has been elected associate secretary of promotion for the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

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## Final Call For Evangelistic Conference

This is the last call concerning the State Evangelistic Conference to be held at Harrisburg Church, Tupelo, February 13 and 14.

The program will begin Monday afternoon at 1:50 and close Tuesday evening at 9:15. Sessions will be held Monday afternoon, Monday night, Tuesday morning, Tuesday afternoon, and Tuesday evening.

Dr. Quarles, our State Secretary, has lined up some outstanding Baptists from without and within the state.

In fact, it may be described as a star-studded program. As there will be no Wednesday session, no pastor can leave before the close with the excuse of having to get back in time for prayer meeting. Those who live nearby can get back home Tuesday night, and those going a long distance will have all day Wednesday to make it.

Every pastor who can possibly do so should be present at this important conference, for the program guarantees inspiration, power, and influence to everyone in attendance.

We Baptists claim to make much of evangelism. We say that the winning of souls is the most important work of Baptists. And it is certainly true that without soul winning we dry up and die. All other things fade into insignificance compared with evangelism.

If evangelism is so important it is certainly necessary for our leaders to prepare themselves for this holy task. The Evangelistic Conference will inform and inspire our people.

Every Baptist that possibly can should go and certainly every church wants to be sure that the pastor attends this conference. No meeting will be of more importance to the pastor, and in turn to the church, than this one. The churches should see that the pastor's expenses are provided. The small amount used for this purpose will be repaid to the church many times.

Let's all join hands with Secretary Quarles in making this the greatest Evangelistic Conference in the history of Mississippi Baptists.

## Plumber Mixes Work With Soul Winning

To any who feel that they never have an opportunity to personal soul winning we suggest they follow the example of L. C. Hester, a plumber at Whitehouse, Texas. He packs a New Testament along with his tools and has made a name for himself in that area as a man who "witnesses for the Lord" at his work.

Every Baptist should be a personal soul winner and a witness to what faith in Jesus Christ does.

How often have we heard people say that they would like to do personal work, but they never have an opportunity. So far as we know, no one is exempted from doing personal work in one way or another.

Clergymen credit Hester with having won more than a hundred persons to Christianity and sending dozens of backsliders back to their churches over the past nine years.

A Baptist Sunday School Superintendent, lay speaker, and former President of the Texas Baptist Convention Training Union, Mr. Hester says his work as a plumber gives him a unique opportunity to talk to scores of people who never go inside a church.

"A working man will listen to another working man when he wouldn't listen to a preacher," he explains.

If the people he meets in this way are Baptists, Mr. Hester tries to enlist them in the work of his own congregation or some other Baptist church. If they are of another denomination, he tells them of a location of a church of their faith and then telephones the pastor to contact the family.

We suggest that other Christians follow the example of Mr. Hester. Whatever our work may be, we come in contact with people. And that's the best place to do personal witnessing.

## We Agree With "Billy"

In a recent issue of Look Magazine there was an article by Billy Graham entitled, "Billy Graham Answers His Critics." Space does not permit using of the answers to all the questions, but we quote one below:

"NEED FOR A CAMPAIGN: Aren't those whom you have 'converted' largely church members already? Bringing people back to God, if they really are brought back, is not the same as helping just one man find Him."

I have never converted anybody. Only Christ can change the course of a man's life. A human instrument can take the soul only so far in its relationship to God. The rest must be performed by the Holy Spirit. It is true, however, that many of the people who commit themselves in our meetings are already church members — something like fifty or sixty per cent. Most of these are people who have their names on a church roll but are not faithful and loyal in the church, who probably attend church only rarely and who have lost their interest in spiritual matters. To bring back one of these people is just as important as to get an outsider to Christ. I think most pastors would agree with this. Every church has a great list of people who break the heart of the pastor by their absence from the services or by the nature of the personal lives that they live during the week. Even if we reached none outside the membership of the church, it is my observation, gained from discussion with hundreds of ministers, that these meetings would still be worth while. The new vision the meetings give to the faithful church attenders, and the restoration they bring to hundreds whose names are on a church roll but who have wandered far from the teachings of Christ and loyalty to the church, certainly underscore their value.

We are wholeheartedly in favor of all the evangelism that is possible. We want to win all the lost that we can. However, while we are trying to win the lost we also believe that we should try to enlist the saved, and frankly, we do not think all the church members are saved.

The Bible says, "By their fruits shall ye know them." Many Baptists bear no fruits and show no interest. While we are trying to win the lost who are on the outside of the church we ought to try to win the unfruitful who are on the inside of the church.

## He Heard And Appreciated The Chimes

To any stingy Baptist who doubts the value of church chimes and who has complained about the small cost of them, we quote below a letter recently received by Dr. John W. Landrum, pastor, First Church, Grenada.

"Another letter received last week from Ned York, Jr., of Friendship, Tennessee bears an unusual message which lets us know that we can never fully evaluate any phase of our ministry for the Lord."

Pastor  
First Baptist Church,  
Grenada, Mississippi

About two weeks ago, I was hitchhiking through Grenada and heard the chimes ringing out some hymns. I asked a nearby filling station man where the chimes were from and he told me.

It was really a blessing to me to hear them and the message they conveyed. This is a wonderful ministry. Keep it up.

God bless you.  
Ned York, Jr.  
Friendship, Tennessee.

You never know where or whom you are going to reach with any kind of church promotion.



## Our Readers Write

### CHINESE CHURCH NEEDS AID

Dear Dr. Goodrich:

I would like to make a special request of you once again, in behalf of the Chinese Baptist Church of Cleveland. In recent months you have very graciously published two articles of public interest for the Chinese Americans of our community and the wonderful work that their pastor, Rev. Paul Au, has been doing.

At the present time they are meeting in an old building that was constructed only as a temporary building some years ago. They are looking forward to the time when they will have a new and improved place of worship. At the present time they have a little over \$7,000 in a building fund, which is not quite a third of the anticipated need, and this in spite of the fact that they have already given to the maximum. Undaunted by this they are still determined to have their place of worship, and are now asking help of their friends and interested Christians. Send donations to Rev. Au, the pastor.

W. R. Swenson, Pastor  
Duncan Baptist Church

### HE WANTS INFORMATION

The Richton Baptist Church is observing her golden anniversary this year, and we are endeavoring to contact all the former pastors, or their families, with the purpose of obtaining a photograph of the preacher himself, and a brief article, either from the preacher, or from some member of his family, about his pastorate at Richton.

To date, we have contacted in one way or another, all former pastors but two. These are, Rev. R. J. Loper, who was the first Pastor, 1906-7, and Rev. J. B. McMillin, who was Pastor 1918-1919. Both men, we understand, are deceased.

If any Record reader knows where some of the families of these two deceased brethren might be located, it will be appreciated if they will write me, W. M. Averett, Pastor, Richton, Mississippi.

— BR —  
Sgt. E. W. Cooper  
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My Mississippi friends in Christ: It is wonderful to get my copy of the Baptist Record and read of the work going forward for the Lord there in Mississippi.

I am stationed in a remote corner of the globe, cut off from friends and family, but not from Christ. I am one of those that hit the Normandy Beach. By the love of Christ I survived that conflict. Later, I gave myself to Him who gave His all for me.

I am an ordained minister, though an enlisted man, and not connected with the Chaplaincy. Why? Because I know Christ. I preach Christ and Him crucified at work, in the chapel, in the barracks, in the P. O., in the street, at every opportunity. I have seen tears flow from the eyes of "tough" G.I.s as they heard the Gospel of Love preached.

Here in this northern region of the world God is real to me and hundreds of us. However, it disturbs me to see our own Baptist Young People come into the service, and having not been grounded solid in the faith, they slip so easily. It seems that

when our young men answer the call to service, the church has a tendency to forget them. PLEASE DON'T! The Training Union and the Sunday School both should keep a record of boys going into service. Drop them postal cards of cheer and encouragement. Just a few lines will let them know they are not forgotten. And pray for them!

In His Service,  
Sgt. E. W. Cooper

## William Carey College Gets Grant From Houston Endowment Fund

Dr. I. E. Rouse, President of William Carey College, announced today the receipt of a five thousand dollar scholarship grant from the Houston Endowment of Houston, Texas.

The five thousand dollar grant is to be paid one thousand dollars per year for five years as a scholarship fund to outstanding and select students. The scholarships are to be known as the "JESSE H. JONES SCHOLARSHIPS" for men and the "MARY GIBBS JONES SCHOLARSHIPS" for women.

Mr. Jesse H. Jones has been a national figure in business, in government, and in philanthropy. He and Mrs. Jones give extensively to educational projects since they are interested in extending their usefulness through choice and highly trained young people.

## Miss. Church Council For Alcohol Education To Have Annual Meet in Jackson Feb. 23

The ninth annual meeting of the Mississippi Church Council for Alcohol Education is to be held February 23 at the First Christian Church, Jackson.

The program will begin at 9:30. Among those having parts on the program will be Rev. Roy S. Egan, pastor of the First Christian Church, Jackson; Dr. J. E. McCracken of Millsaps College; Miss Emma Ruth Corban of Meridian Junior College; Rev. James A. Nisbet, Director of Christian Education, Mississippi Synod, the Presby-

terian Church, U. S.; Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., pastor of First Church, Mendhall; and Rev. Roy C. Clark, pastor of Capitol Street Methodist Church, Jackson.

In addition to the addresses, there will be discussion groups, a business session, a Dutch luncheon at 12:30 p.m., and committee meetings. The latter will take place at 2:00 p.m.

Rev. James S. Conner is the Executive Secretary and Rev. C. M. Day is his Associate.

A modern parable is told about a man who dreamed that he attended a convention of the devil's advocates in which a discussion was in progress concerning the best means by which they could destroy the Christian faith. Someone suggested that they spread the idea that the Bible is a fable; another proposed that they say everywhere that Jesus was nothing more than a man; still another suggested that they whisper widely that there is no God, no Saviour, and no Heaven. Some in the company expressed approval of each of the plans as it was proposed. The oldest of the devil's advocates waited until the others were finished before he rose to address the assembly. "Let us go far and wide across the earth," he said, "and let us tell men that there is a God. We will agree that there is a Saviour, and that there is a Heaven. But let us tell every man on the earth that there is no need to accept and follow Christ now. Let us assure them that tomorrow will be soon enough."

Cheers greeted the suggestion, for the devil's advocates realized that one of their number had found a way by which they could bring death to the soul. From G. Earnest Thomas, in *Spiritual Life in the New*

Every Mississippi Baptist will be interested, as well as helped, by reading "The Hand of God in Human Experience." The author is Dr. Charles L. McKay, Mississippian, formerly pastor of Mississippi churches. His last pastorate was First Church, Pascagoula. He is now a member of the Baptist Sunday School Board staff. Dr. McKay knows his subject and knows his Lord. The book is an exposition of the little-known and little-read book of Habakkuk. Concerning the book Mr. A. V. Washburn, Secretary of Teaching and Training, Sunday School Board, says, "Timely writing makes interesting reading. For that reason THE HAND OF GOD IN HUMAN EXPERIENCE will claim and hold your attention. It is in the vein of a prophetic message." The price is \$1.25 and orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store.

— BR —  
The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the Washington County Association which met in third annual session on October 10, 11, 12, 1955 with the First Church, Leland; Calvary Church, Greenville; and Arcola Church. The next sessions will be held with Second Church, Leland; Hollandale Church; and Parkview Church, Greenville, on October 15, 16, and 17. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD KEEPS MISSISSIPPI BAPTIST PEOPLE INFORMED.

## THE NEW MAN AND THE NEW LIFE

By DR. JAMES L. SULLIVAN

Where does Christian morality begin? Is it born in good resolutions? Can it be produced through proper classroom instruction? Is it inspired by private or public appeal?

These are timely questions in this period of special emphasis on the need of a moral awakening in America. To build a better nation, we must first find the proper foundation on which to base it. On what we are to build a deeper national sensitiveness to sin?

**Conversion**  
No movement for morality will get far without linking it first to New Testament evangelism. Lost men are "blind" (Eph. 4:18) and cannot see. They are "dead" (Eph. 2:1) and cannot know.

No lasting good can come from mere complaining about that situation. It would be like complaining at a deaf man because he could not hear a symphony orchestra. Complaining will not improve his hearing.

Thank God, there is a way to improve the situation and the individual and the nation. It is through the "new birth" (Jno. 3:7) which produces a "new life" (2 Cor. 5:17). Faith in Christ, which brings conversion, gives an individual the experience and understanding he needs for a moral awakening. When someone knows Christ, he can then know himself.

Unless he knows Jesus in a personal experience of faith, he can never set himself free from the devil's entangling web. Being unable to emancipate himself, he is certainly in no position to assist others. Conversion lays the groundwork for building a moral awakening in our land at this time. Only as we lead people to know God through Christ, can we enable them to help others.

**Instruction**  
Before an individual can become morally aware, he must know right from wrong. He must be able to separate good from bad. Where does his measuring stick come from? True standards of right and wrong must be found.

An inexperienced young carpenter was given his first assignment. It was to saw three dozen boards the same length. He was given a measuring stick by which he was to cut the planks. He measured the first board by the measuring stick. Then he laid the measuring stick aside and sawed the first board.

He took the first board to the second one. He used the second board as a measuring stick for the third and so on. When he had finished, he was amazed to learn that his last board was six inches longer than the measuring stick which he was originally given. His error came through his failure to use the same measuring stick throughout his assignment.

Any man who is constantly shifting standards is confused. With such confusion we cannot build a moral consciousness in America. The Bible is the measuring stick that gives us unerring guidance and unchanging standards. It must be constantly taught and conscientiously followed.

**Consecration**  
The dedication of Christians to high moral living is apparent to everyone — even to unsaved men. Everyone expects Christians to have high standards of conduct. Christians must lead out, therefore, in this campaign to build a moral consciousness in America. Once he accepts Christ, the believer is then on the right track as he travels the high road of moral and ethical conduct.

Public morals are built on private conduct. If all individuals did right in private conduct, there would be no problem at the level of public morals.

Among the numerous religions of the world, Christianity calls for the highest standards of morality. Many of the world's lesser religions have no moral standards at all. Some of the infamous religions of past history have actually lowered the moral standards of their people. How wonderful it is that Christianity not only inspires men to high and righteous living, but portrays a Saviour who lived that sort of life as an example before his people. What is even better, we Christ-

ians are promised God's help as we try to reach a high standard of moral living and serving.

**Dedication**  
To lift the world's level of moral thinking demands the personal dedication of all Christians even at the cost of sacrifice. Every great heritage we have has been purchased by blood, sweat, and tears — religious freedom among them. A moral consciousness for Americans must be purchased through the same high cost. It cannot be inherited.

The purchase price required may be high for some of us. What does that matter? Consider the price paid by the prophets and seers of ages past. Even more, consider the price paid by the Master and His disciples.

Only by complete dedication on the part of Christians to this noble ideal can our country be lifted from its present drunken, licentious, and worldly ways.

In building for a better day, we must begin on the fundamental basis of conversion. All men must know Jesus before they can live better lives. Only as Jesus purifies men can they be pure. Instruction, guidance, and training must then follow.

Our task is not complete until men are presented flawless before the throne of God's grace, at which time it will be obvious to all that they have taken on the image and shape of the Master to whom their lives have been so willingly and gladly given.

— BR —  
I have been trying to formulate some way to tell you about the needs of the people of Gaza. It seems impossible! Choose one outfit from your wardrobe. Not the most expensive, newest, and prettiest, but the oldest thing that you dare wear. Now remember the old pair of shoes that you have been planning to give or throw away. Put those on and wear them for several months. If you want to reduce I would suggest bread and raw tomatoes for breakfast, bread and raw tomatoes for lunch, and bread and cooked tomatoes and onions for supper. Today I saw women carrying wet sand on their heads from 6:00 a. m. to 6:00 p. m. Each one makes the U. S. equivalent of 12 cents.

Multitudes of these refugees are the ones to whom your minister every day. Today you and I taught children to sing "Jesus Loves Me." Today you and I smoothed the pillow of a sick child and gave hope. Today you and I brought comfort to the suffering and broke the Words of Life to souls as hungry and needy as their bodies. It is not ours to judge the extent and effectiveness of our ministry; but I wonder if it is not in direct proportion to our knowledge, interest, dedication, praying, and giving. How much did you help today? — Anne Dwyer, missionary to Gaza

— BR —  
The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the 36th annual session of the Prentiss Association, which met with the Wheeler Church on October 3 and 4, 1955. The next annual meeting will be held with the East Booneville Church on October 1-2. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed. And two new features have been added this year, a historical table and a calendar of activities. Dr. A. O. Collins, pastor at First Church, Booneville, is the Moderator.

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## GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

### Mendenhall

The largest attendance of any of the counties during the recent World Mission Conference, at which we led as team captain, was at Mendenhall. Pastor N. F. Davis was not there to see a packed house. However, he was away in a similar meeting in another county. Almost every church was represented and by good delegations. The interest was high and we predict great things during the coming year in Simpson County.

Record readers in Simpson County are now listed as follows:

ANTIOCH, 27; Athens, 1; Beulah, 3; BRAXTON, 44; Coat, 9; D'O, 42; Dry Creek, 1; FORK (BETHLEHEM), 40; HARRISVILLE, 44; HOLLY GROVE, 28; MACEDONIA, 60; MAGEE, 260; MENDENHALL, 148; MT. ZION, 86; New Bethlehelem, 1; NEW HOPE, 42; OAK GROVE, 57; PINE GROVE, 26; PINOLA, 55; PLEASANT HILL, 48; PLEASANT VALLEY, 32; POPLAR SPRINGS, 48; SAR, 22; SHIVERS, 23; SILOAM, 1; STONEWALL, 22; STRONG RIVER, 37; WEATHERSBY, 60.

### Harmony (Laurel)

While Pastor Tommy Fant was away in a revival meeting we had the privilege of supplying again at Harmony Church, Laurel.

Most churches seem to think they are doing well when they have one choir singing at a service. C. E. Nix, Minister of Music for the church, had two choirs at the same service, one an adult and one a children's choir.

Record readers in Jones County are now listed as follows: BETHEL, 23; BETHLEHEM, 130; COUNTY LINE, 45; ELITSVILLE, 155; FAIRFIELD, 38; Fellowship, 5; FREEDOM, 61; Friendship, 2; HARMONY, 114; HEBRON, 47; INDIAN SPRINGS, 98; LAUREL, FIRST, 457; LAUREL, SECOND AVE., 301; LAUREL, MAGNOLIA ST., 101; LAUREL, HIGHLAND, 145; LAUREL, WHEELER, 24; LAUREL, SOUTH, 58; LAUREL, WEST, 11; LAUREL, WILDWOOD, 152; MOSELLE, 85; EAST VIEW, 88; NEW HOPE, 33; OAKLAND GROVE, 37; OVETT, 46; PECAN GROVE, 28 Pine Grove, 1; SANDERSVILLE, 82; SAND HILL, 46; SHARON, 96; SHELTON, 21; SOSO, 118; SUMMERLAND, 54; Tucker's Crossing, 15; WEST ELLISVILLE, 60; EMMANUEL, 32; GLADE, 87; Pleasant Ridge, 1; CALVARY, 30; LAUREL, HILLCREST, 49.

### Pleasant Valley Is On

Pleasant Valley Church, in Lee County has joined the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record.

Rev. G. L. Ford is the pastor. The list was sent by the church clerk, Mrs. T. V. Williams.

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### To Miss. Baptists

As many of you know, Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis opened last month its eight million dollar addition. The ultra-modern 13-story building will be formally dedicated with a series of tours and open house during the week of February 12.

Baptist Memorial, owned by the Baptist Conventions of Mississippi, Arkansas and Tennessee, is the largest non-government hospital in the South and the largest Baptist hospital in the world. We are proud of the giant new addition which will enable us to offer expanded and improved medical care.

A special open house beginning at 7 p. m., Tuesday, Feb. 14, will honor Baptist ministers of the Mid-South. Open house for the public is planned for Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 15-16, from 2-4 and 7-9 p. m. Tours will begin in the lobby of the Madison Avenue entrance to the new building.

You are cordially invited to visit with us during this time and to tour the new Madison East addition to your Baptist Memorial Hospital. Frank S. Groner, Administrator

### Pheba Is Back

Some time ago Pheba Church felt it necessary to discontinue the EVERY FAMILY Plan of the Baptist Record. However, they found that they needed the Baptist Record and have sent a list of 24 names who are going to be more informed about Baptist affairs at home and abroad.

Rev. C. E. Aston is the pastor. The list was sent by L. O. Cummings.

Record readers in Clay County are now listed as follows: CEDAR BLUFF, 20; ENON, 22; HEBRON, 30; NEW MONTPELIER, 25; PHEBA, 24; SILOAM, 70; WEST POINT, FIRST, 328; WEST POINT, WEST END, 76; CALVARY, 159.

### Baptists Must Have Understanding

By LEE GALLMAN

We are a great body of people in the Southern Baptist Convention. Our distances are great now and our people more heterogeneous than ever. Once we were small farmers and share croppers in a definite geographical section of this country. We were of one general cultural character. Our cities grew out of our own country-bred folk.

Now in every way we are different. The geographical situation has expanded until there are no lines of demarcation. We have become even in this original section an industrial folk as well as rural. In addition, we have embraced peoples of such different attitudes toward life and of such different patterns that we are no longer the same. Traditions which grew out of varying backgrounds confront us on several fronts.

Our leadership situation has greatly changed.

The leader who has been called to a new environment is in a role different from the leader who is a part of his environment. Denominational affiliation and loyalties have a different meaning out of the old and deep south. Attitudes toward race vary from the church that fired its pastor for voting with the majority in St. Louis to an association that recently voted Negro churches into their fellowship and to churches that received them into their fellowship on a local basis.

We cannot succeed unless we have understanding. We cannot change the traditions of people in new areas to fit the pattern of the old southern culture. These new areas must also realize that they cannot re-mold the Southern Baptist Convention. Churches in Lowndes County, Alabama are not apt to open their church rolls to Negro Baptists and the churches in Illinois are not apt to boycott a meeting where a Negro brother appears on the program.

We can understand each other if we try. Perhaps the most important factor in understanding is that of securing reliable information. Unfortunately our newspapers help us very little. Incidents are magnified all out of proportion toward the point of view of the various sections involved.

It is good practice to withhold judgment until more complete information is secured. While we were in another state recently, a good brother became quite a nuisance as he berated all the "cowardly preachers in Mississippi who for the sake of their jobs kept silent during the worst persecu-

tion ever heaped upon a race of people." It was useless to talk to him. He does not represent the thinking Baptists of his state, but all of his presuppositions were based on false information.

#### Need Other's Viewpoint

Another factor in understanding is that of placing oneself in the other person's place. We cannot do this very well, for we often imagine ourselves to be heroes in a different environment. Actually most of us would adjust to the conditions of our immediate community both in form and in content. I'm told that a mountain near the eastern seaboard divides the two schools of thought on alien immersion. Preachers pass from one side to another changing polity as they cross the mountain. This may be an exaggeration, but it is characteristic of most of us. We adapt our convictions to our environment.

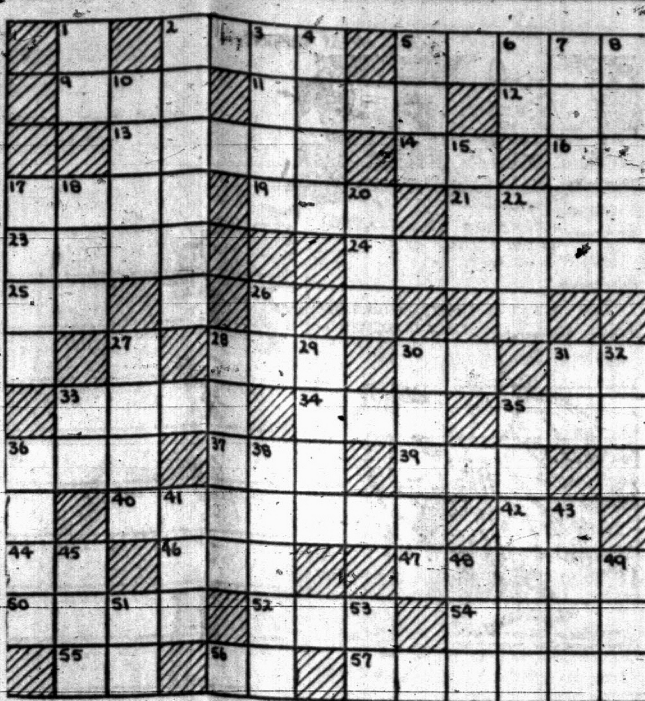
#### Must Understand New Problems

We must try to understand the problems confronting new churches in new areas. They must also realize that the settled churches must live in the condition of their own situation. One brother looking at a new church building in an old Baptist community asked, "Why didn't they build with brick and concrete blocks and send the difference to us?" The zeal of workers in new communities is always inspiring. They will not advance without it. But we cannot overlook the value of stability in the established areas.

Perhaps it is too much to expect one who is on the cutting edge of missions to understand the calmness of the more settled churches who seem to be content while the whole world goes to the dogs, and perhaps it is too much to expect one who has not been on the cutting edge to place himself in such a position and understand problems that are so irrelevant to his life situation. But if this vast heterogeneous people called Southern Baptists adhere, they must find a way to do it.

We have many "isms" in our denomination. In fact we could justify the title for our convention as "The Confederation of Heterogeneous Types of Baptists in the United States, Canada, and Cuba." The future may give us an even greater variety of "isms," but if we desire a unity of spirit and fellowship in service, we must learn to understand.

—BR—



#### Luke 15

Our text is 1, 2, 5, 28, 30, 55, 56 and 57, combined.

#### ACROSS

- 1 "and all that . . . have is thine" :31
- 2 "and . . . say unto him" :18
- 5 Get up
- 9 "A certain man had . . . sons" :11
- 11 Eye (Fr.)
- 12 Fourth month (abbr.)
- 13 "there . . . a mighty famine" :14
- 14 Linnaean Society (abbr.)
- 16 Capital of Moab Num. 21:15
- 17 "And he . . . and joined himself to a citizen" :15
- 19 Transpose (abbr.)
- 21 Monster
- 23 "which . . . devoured thy living with harlots" :30
- 24 "I have . . . against heaven" :21
- 25 English Translation (abbr.)
- 28 "he heard music . . . dancing" :25
- 30 "was angry and would not . . . in" :28
- 31 "How many hired servants . . . my father's" :17
- 33 "ran, and . . . on his neck" :20
- 34 Self
- 35 Small vegetable
- 36 Companion of the Order of the Indian Empire (abbr.)
- 37 Feminine name
- 39 "make me as . . . of thy hired servants" :19
- 40 "he . . . unto them his living" :12
- 42 Artificial language
- 44 " . . . these many years do I serve thee" :29
- 46 Twine woven into meshes
- 47 "with the husks that . . . did eat" :16
- 50 "he would . . . have filled his belly" :16
- 52 "Bring forth . . . best robe" :22
- 54 American Society of Civil Engineers (abbr.)
- 55 "he arose and came . . . his father" :20
- 56 "that I might make merry with . . . friends" :29
- 57 "his . . . saw him, and had compassion" :20

#### DOWN

- 1 " . . . was meet that we should make merry" :32
- 2 "And am no more . . . to be called thy son" :19
- 3 "he was . . . and is found" :24
- 4 Sneer
- 5 "younger son gathered . . . together" :13
- 6 North Central State (abbr.)
- 7 "have bread enough and to . . . swine" :17
- 8 Sinned
- 10 "he began to be in . . ." :14
- 15 "his elder . . . was in the field" :25
- 17 "And . . . he had spent all" :14
- 18 "let us . . . and be merry" :23
- 20 Compass point
- 22 African antelope
- 26 "put a ring . . . his hand" :22
- 27 "sent him into his fields to . . . swine" :15
- 28 "and is . . . again" :24
- 29 "For this my son was . . ." :24
- 30 "give me the portion of . . ." :12
- 31 Old English (abbr.)
- 32 "took his journey into a . . . country" :13
- 33 Falkland Islands (abbr.)
- 35 "and I . . . with hunger" :17
- 36 "bring hither the fatted . . ." :23
- 38 Little song
- 41 Hotel
- 43 One time
- 45 Grain
- 48 Short for Walter
- 49 Ever (Contr.)
- 51 Intelligence Office (abbr.)
- 53 The letter F

### Baptist Interracial Meetings Are Set

The third annual series of Expansion and Stewardship Conferences of the Negro Work Department of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board will be held February 22 and 23.

Dr. W. A. Keel, secretary, announced today. The conferences will be held Feb. 22 at the Sophia Sutton Mission at Prentiss, and the following day at the Farish Street Baptist Church in Jackson.

Dr. Keel said a motorcade will assemble at the First Baptist Church on Highway 42 at Prentiss at 9:30 a. m., Feb. 22, and will be led by Lt. L. V. Warren of the Jackson Police Department. The conference will begin at 10 a. m. and close at 4 p. m.

The morning conference will close with an address by Dr. Laurence C. Jones, president of Piney Woods School. The afternoon session will hear an address by Chester L. Evers, president of the World Home Bible League.

The conference in Jackson at the Farish Street Baptist Church will begin at 1:30 p. m., conducted by Dr. Lewis E. Rhodes, chairman, Central Center Holding Board. This conference will close with an address by Owen Cooper, president of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

At 7 p. m. the Statewide Youth and Seminary Center Rally will be held, featuring an address by Rev. W. Costello Trotter, evangelist. Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary, of the Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, will address the night conference.

Other speakers and leaders include Rev. Eddie Barnes of Laurel, Dr. H. L. Lang, Jackson, Mrs. Chester L. Evers of Chicago, Ill., Dr. R. W. Woulard of Hattiesburg, Rev. S. L. Whitney of Jackson, Dr. A. N. Begley of Winchester, Ky., Rev. H. C. Cherry of Benoit, Dr. Robert J. Hastings of Nashville, Tenn., Mrs. J. E. Johnson of Prentiss, Dr. William P. Davis, Flora, Charles Horner of Jackson, and Dr. Keel.

### Returns To Former State Pastorate



Rev. Jack J. Cranford

Rev. Jack J. Cranford, native Mississippian, and for several years pastor in Mississippi Churches, has been called back to the Center Ridge Church, Yazoo City. He was pastor there for nearly four years before going to Marietta, Ga. He and his wife and 14-year-old daughter will move on the field this week.

"Bro. Jack" as he is best known among his home people, is the oldest son of the late Rev. Jack E. Cranford, and Mrs. Cranford. His mother is a member of the faculty of Van Winkle Elementary School. Two brothers in the ministry are, Rev. David T. Cranford, pastor of First Church, Canton, and Rev. Paul H. Cranford, Pastor of Jackson Hill Church, Atlanta, Ga. A brother-in-law, Rev. H. A. Milner, is Pastor of the Van Winkle Church, Jackson.

## ROGER WILLIAMS ESTABLISHES BAPTIST CHURCH AT PROVIDENCE

(17th Century Baptist Press)

PROVIDENCE, Rhode Island, March, 1639 — (BP) —

Twelve candidates, all of them hardy mates, today braved chilly baptismal waters to establish a new church in New England on believer's baptism.

The leader and first pastor of the new church, of course, is the intrepid Roger Williams, the preacher-statesman and champion of religious and political freedom in America. Williams first fled England to escape the tyranny of the Church of England and in this country has vigorously opposed what he considers to be the doctrinal errors of the Puritans.

Williams baptized the candidates, although he was first baptized by Ezekiel Holliman. Charter members of this first Baptist church in America are Williams, Holliman, William Arnold, William Harris, Stuckley Westcott, John Green, Richard Waterman, Thomas James, Robert Cole, William Carpenter, Francis Weston, and Thomas Olney.

Opposed to infant baptism, members of the new church must be professing Christians, their baptism becoming a symbol of their regeneration. The Baptists also defend separation of church and state, a principle for which Williams has fought for years. Thus the new group resembles in doctrine the Baptist church which John Smyth founded in Amsterdam, Holland, in 1608.

The Baptists have no church building, holding their services outdoors in a grove unless forced into the house of a member during inclement weather. It is believed to be the only completely independent church in America.

Williams, a man of unusual ability and talent and unassailable Christian character, has fearlessly defended his beliefs against the strong Puritan church since he arrived in Boston, Massachusetts, nine years ago. He at first accepted a pas-

torate in the Puritan church at Boston, but resigned when he discovered that the Puritans still maintained ties with the Church of England, which he had renounced.

Williams continued to attack church and civil authorities for what he believed to be errors and injustices until he was banished from the Massachusetts colonies in 1636. Making his way through the frozen wilderness in a bitter winter, the resourceful preacher came here to establish the town of Providence and the new territory of Rhode Island.

The minister had such a loyal following in Massachusetts that many of them followed him to Providence to help him carve

out of the frontier a home where Williams' new principles of freedom could be put into practice. Williams found the Indians friendly as he has long been respected by them for his honesty and fair dealings. On more than one occasion he has saved from Indian attack the the settlers who banished him.

Williams and his followers have found greater freedom here, but the price has been great. They have had to turn their backs on former friends and neighbors, and now that they have formed a new church, doubtless will be excommunicated by the Puritans.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the George County Association, which met in 36th annual session on October 13 and 14, 1955 at the Agricola Church. The next meeting will be held with the Barton Church on October 11 and 12. The minutes, attractively prepared and printed, were sent by Walter Horne, Clerk-Treasurer.

The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of renewal subscriptions from Hope Church in Neshoba County. The list was sent by the treasurer, R. R. Barrett.

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Also, please include the names of all for whom reservations are requested or state the number of boys and the number of girls (this is to aid us in the assignment of cabins).

NOTE: JUNIORS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A GUARDIAN (AGE 17 OR OLDER). NO GUARDIAN MAY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR MORE THAN THREE JUNIORS.

#### Churches Report Standards Units

Last year (1954-1955) forty-one Mississippi Baptist churches reported at least one standard unit of organization. For the quarter July-September (which is the first quarter of this year's record) we have the names of eighteen churches who are the first to be listed in.

#### MISSISSIPPI'S MAGNIFICENT MINORITY

Concord (Choctaw)  
Calhoun City (Calhoun)  
Macedonia (Calhoun)  
Gulfport First (Gulf Coast)  
Griffith Memorial (Hinds)  
Hillcrest (Hinds)  
Parkway (Hinds)  
Edon (Jasper)  
Fifteenth Avenue (Lauderdale)  
Briar Hill (Rankin)

Main Street (Lebanon)  
East Fork (Mississippi)  
East McComb (Pike)  
Central McComb (Pike)  
Tutwiler (Tallahatchie)  
Charleston (Tallahatchie)  
Trinity (Warren)  
Clarkson (Zion)  
Vicksburg First (Warren)

Two of these churches report a standard Training Union for this period. They are East McComb and Clarkson.

#### Humphrey Association

Under the direction of Mrs. P. O. Gibson, Associational Director for Humphrey Association, a Central Leadership School was conducted at the First Baptist Church, Belzoni. The host pastor was Rev. C. A. Molphus.

The enrolment for the week was 160, and an average attendance of 123 was maintained for the week. All of the churches in the association participated in the Central School, and they are as follows: Beulah, Gooden Lake, Silver City, Louise, Calvary, Isola, Second, Belzoni, and First, Belzoni. The highest attendance was reached on Wednesday night with 141 present.

The faculty for the week is listed as follows: Mrs. A. A. Greene, West Point, and Mrs. Clara Shell, Yazoo City, Nursery, Beginner, and Primary leaders: Miss Frances Whitworth, Director of Junior Work with the Training Union Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee, Junior and Intermediate leadership: Rev. B. A. Henry, Yazoo City, Young People; Mr. Fred Prince, Yazoo City, Intermediate; Mrs. A. J. Lanoux, Yazoo City, Juniors; Rev. Roy Self, Yazoo City, Adults; Mr. G. G. Pierce, Jackson, General Officers; and Primary boys and girls by Mrs. Fred Prince, Yazoo City.

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The Baptist Record appreciates a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from the Haven Hill Church in Yalobusha. The list was sent by Mrs. Orien Shaw, the church clerk.

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**RALEIGH, N. C. — (BP)**— Joseph O. Stroud, music-education director of First Baptist Church, Statesville, N. C., has accepted a call to be secretary of the new department of church music for the Baptist State Convention of North Carolina.

—BR—

Rev. Brooks H. Wester, pastor of First Church, Brookhaven, writes in glowing terms of Norman Bell of Clinton who led a service of singing and witnessing as an illustration of his program of "Singing Revivals." Mr. Bell is superbly trained in music, a convert from Judaism, and a zealous follower of his Christ.

—BR—

A copy of a map showing the locations of the various Indian tribes and reservations in the United States can be had free by sending a stamped self-addressed envelope to Dr. B. Frank Belvin, 819 South Delaware, Okmulgee, Oklahoma.

—BR—

**LILLINGTON, N. C. (RNS)**—The Harnett County Ministerial Association adopted a resolution criticizing Superior Court Judge George Fountain and District Solicitor Jack Hooks for deciding to hold court on Sunday. It said the action sets a dangerous precedent.

—BR—

**SANTA BARBARA, Calif.**—Beneficiaries of the late millionaire industrialist Hulett C. Merritt's estate will have to file affidavits stating they have not used cigarettes or intoxicating liquors during the preceding 90 days of any quarterly allotment of funds.

—BR—

Merritt, one of the large holders of U. S. Steel Corporation common stock, died here Jan. 13 at 83.

—BR—

The annual Church Music Workshop planned for February 13-17 at Southwestern Baptist-Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, Texas, has been cancelled. This cancellation affects only the program planned for this year. The next workshop is scheduled for February, 1957.

## Sunday School Department

**E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary** **PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate**  
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**MISS PAT HINES, Office Secretary**



**MRS. ALLEN B. COMISH**  
Mrs. Allen B. Comish, approved Junior work, Nashville, Tenn., will direct the conferences for Junior workers at our Mississippi Sunday School Convention, March 12-13, in the First Baptist Church of Jackson.

We are grateful for the fact that we can offer our Junior workers over the state the privilege of attending conferences under the direction of this capable leader from an adjoining state. We earnestly urge the Junior officers and teachers to be sure and make plans to attend this Convention, and to get the good things awaiting you in the conference periods. Let's make this Convention mean all we possibly can in the bigger and better Sunday schools for Mississippi. The way to do this is to attend, and in large numbers.

## CONVENTION TIME NEARS

**MAKE PLANS TO ATTEND**  
For the past several years, we have had three one-day Sunday School Conventions, placing them in different sections of the state.

That plan definitely has its advantages, not the least of

Rev. Bobby J. Hearn, native of Laurel and formerly member of Second Avenue Church, Laurel, is the new assistant pastor at First Church, Shreveport, Louisiana. Mr. Hearn received his college education at Mississippi College and his seminary training at Southwestern Seminary.

—BR—

Rev. and Mrs. L. Parkes Marler, Southern Baptist missionary appointees to Korea, have left for their field of service and may be addressed at Baptist Headquarters, 555 Ka Choong Moo Ro, Seoul, Korea. Both are natives of Hattiesburg, Miss., where they make their permanent American home.

—BR—

Among the recent visitors in the Baptist Building were: Dr. Charles L. McKay, Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee; D. D. Seger, Fort Worth, Texas.

—BR—

Rev. and Mrs. Elton Moore, Southern Baptist missionaries to Indonesia, have moved from Bandung to Kediri, where they may be addressed at Box 6, Kediri, Indonesia. Both are natives of Mississippi. Mr. Moore, formerly Jean Cooper, of Morton, where she and Mr. Moore make their permanent American home.

—BR—

Who were the ten greatest Baptist preachers from 1750 to 1950? The Quarterly Review for July, August, and September, which is going to press now, answers the question according to a poll of nearly two hundred prominent Baptist historians. This issue will feature a biographical sketch of these preachers and a condensation of a famous sermon of each.

—BR—

**NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BP)**—A check for \$600, the first to the Southern Baptist Convention from the new Colorado Baptist General Convention, has been received here, Porter Routh, treasurer of the Southern Convention, reported. Dated Jan. 26, it was signed by E. J. Speegle, Denver, president of the executive board of the Colorado convention. The entire amount was sent through the Cooperative Program to support general missionary, educational, and agency work of the Convention.

which is the reaching of more people in various parts of the state. After all, the purpose of any meeting is to reach the people, and the more we reach the better it is for the work.

However, this year, we are having **ONLY ONE CONVENTION**. It will be in the First Baptist Church of Jackson, March 12-13. The program will begin on Monday afternoon, March 12, and close with the evening session of Tuesday, March 13.

We have a great program planned, with some of the outstanding conference leaders and speakers in the Southern Baptist Convention. We want you to be there for it.

Brother Pastor and Superintendent, tell your workers about this great opportunity, and help them work out plans for attending. A Convention of this kind, with the leadership coming to help us, has invaluable help for all who will avail themselves of the opportunity.

May we all work and pray that it may be the largest and best Sunday school Convention we have ever had. We are counting on you leaders to help us in this.

## THE DIPLOMA PROGRAM

**THESE ARE BASIC BOOKS**  
Many of our Sunday school workers have had many books in the regular course of Training, but have not had all the basic books in the diploma section.

The Sunday School Diploma Program that we are now promoting is twofold. One, to emphasize the need of completing all these basic books and get the diploma; and, two, to help get more churches started on a regular program of training, year by year.

Any training is good, of course, but a definite and regular program of this kind will mean so much more than just an occasional study.

And, as much as we regret

## SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

February 5, 1956

New Haven (Hinds)	65	28
Jackson, Hillcrest	231	123
Jackson, Broadmoor	505	220
Flowood	108	98
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	702	375
Jackson, Van Winkle	575	271
Pearl (Rankin)	203	131
Jackson, Highland	138	82
Richland (Rankin)	198	83
Jackson, Midway	169	104
Edwards	58	37
Jackson, West	327	174
Jackson, Alta Woods	532	268
Hattiesburg, 38th Ave.	216	133
Greenwood, North	357	93
Jackson, Southside	306	177
Hattiesburg, Main Street	940	432
Mission	11	
Jackson, First	1306	499
Friendship (Jackson County)	76	50
Pascagoula, First	824	230
Main	719	216
McArthur, Chapel	36	25
Orange Grove	69	39
Natchez, Calvary	89	55
Clinton	707	453
Jackson, Parkway	997	464
Crestwood	658	395
Calvary	1375	467
Church	1337	450
Mission	38	17
Meridian, Emmanuel	55	36
First	789	177
Fifteenth Ave.	531	211
Southside	411	151
Highland	464	182
Eastview	165	82
Clarksdale	467	148
Clarksdale, Oakhurst	441	125
Longview (Oktibbeha)	75	53
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	203	129
New Prospect (Desoto)	84	107
Hattiesburg, Temple	508	184
Brookhaven, Central	102	65
Houston, First	318	158
Cleveland, First	399	131
Main	380	
Chinese Mission	19	
Long Beach	274	102
Columbus, First	1033	405
Main	939	352
Fairview	94	53
Bridge	287	96
Canton, Center	271	155
Terrace	777	246
Kosciusko, First	755	
Main	22	
Maple Mission	22	
Concord (Choctaw)	77	59

to say it, there are literally hundreds of churches that have no training work at all. People surely cannot do more unless they know more. We may not do all that we know, but as the level of knowledge rises, the level of efficiency of work also rises.

So, folks, join with us in the promotion of this Diploma Program, and do not hesitate to write us if you want more information as to the plan, etc.

## MORE STANDARDS

Schools: First, Calhoun City. Rev. Clarence Cutrell, Pastor, and Mr. C. C. Parker, Supt.; Broadmoor, Jackson, Rev. L. Gordon Samsing, Pastor, and Mr. C. H. Cooper, Supt.; Heidelberg, Rev. C. G. Wells, Pastor, and Mr. J. G. Smith, Supt.; Freedom, Laurel, Rev. P. D. Lott, Pastor, and Mr. Ernest Smith, Supt.; Second Avenue, Laurel, Rev. W. Levon Moore, Pastor, and Mr. L. B. Melvin, Jr., Supt.; Calvary, Greenwood, Rev. Dan A. Morton, Pastor, and Mr. Wilson Hambrick, Supt.; First, Greenwood, Dr. J. H. Kyzar, Pastor, and Mr. W. P. Bobo, Supt.; Macedonia, Brookhaven, Rev. A. W. Talbert, Pastor, and Mr. Henry J. Stanley, Supt.; Mt. Zion, Brookhaven, Rev. Ivan Lowry, Pastor, and Mrs. Ivan Lowry, Supt.; New Prospect, Brookhaven, Rev. R. D. Hollford, Pastor, and Mr. Maxie Smith, Supt.; Cedar Grove, Columbia, Rev. Mark Lowery, Pastor, and Mr. Jack Barnes, Supt.; First, Columbia, Rev. J. R. Davis, Pastor, and Mr. B. F. Dye, Supt.; First, Newton, Rev. R. B. Leavell, Pastor, and Mr. Harold T. Galoway, Supt.; Hebron, Sardis, Rev. Robert L. Jackson, Pastor, and Mr. Russell L. Hill, Supt.; Springfield, Morton, Rev. F. V. McFarbridge, Pastor, and Mr. J. W. Winstead, Supt.; Loka, Row, Carmon, Supt.; Pastor, and Mr. Alver Belue, Supt.; Tyler, town, Rev. Vernon May, Pastor, and Mr. Geo. W. Wingo, Supt.; Mantee, Rev. Ulvie Fitts, Pastor, and Mr. Billy M. Hunter, Supt.

Extension: Northside, Jackson, Department and six groups, Mrs. Grady Stringer, Supt.; First, Newton, Department and four groups, Mrs. A. L. McGaugh, Supt.

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Columbia, First	692	244
Main	631	208
South Columbia	61	35
Mission	342	111
Aberdeen, First	174	75
Providence (Lebanon)	162	85
McComb, Friendship	35	23
Mission	127	62
Main	106	57
McComb, Locust St.	126	56
Moak's Creek (Lincoln)	526	198
Greenville, Second	341	132
Calhoun City, First	164	76
Stonewall	127	90
Soso, First	247	77
Purvis, First	294	80
Ripley, First	400	165
Petal Harvey	336	151
Main	45	
Harvey Mission	19	14
Richman Road	136	86
Murphy Creek (Winston)	483	246
Newton, First	272	125
Grenada, Emmanuel	136	53
New Sight (Lincoln)	717	200
Grenada, First	821	238
Brookhaven, First	218	127
Main	78	37
Southway	24	14
Halbert Heights	256	99
Durant, First	188	95
Cleveland, Immanuel	86	63
Mathiston, Fellowship	301	138
Ruleville	43	35
Ruth	230	105
Laurel, Highland	84	30
Puckett (Rankin)	524	161
Louisville, First	85	57
Calvary (Alcorn)	55	54
Wayside (Yalobusha)	409	175
Batesville, First	296	211
Morton (Scott)	242	108
Main	54	103
East Morton	195	108
Mission	102	66
January 29, 1956	476	144
Pascagoula, Eastlawn	438	
Peach Creek (Panola)	38	
Cleveland, First	339	148
Main	252	74
Chinese Mission	67	60
Calhoun City, First	571	141
Baldwyn, First		
Ora (Covington)		
Louisville, First		

Brookhaven, First	218	127
Main	78	37
Southway	24	14
Halbert Heights	256	99
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## Man Of Distinction

"Mother of Beaten Child Faces Charges of Assault," was the headline across two columns in a Washington paper. The mother was accused by police of beating her 5-month old baby.

The account stated, "Authorities at Walter Reed Hospital said the child was in critical condition. When police arrived at the scene, they found the mother sitting on the living room floor with a glass of beer in her hand."

This is a true picture of what beer will do and a great contrast with beautiful many colored pictures in magazines advertising beer.

It is suggested that the beer people print a picture of the baby with bruises all over its body, and the mother sitting on the floor with a glass of beer in her hand.

## Government Issues Guide For Clergy On Social Security

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)

A guide for ministers, members of religious orders, and Christian Science practitioners in obtaining social security coverage was issued here by the Internal Revenue Service.

Commissioner Russell Chase Harrington, in a formal statement, reminded clergymen that in filing their income tax returns for 1955 they must make a personal election as to whether they want social security coverage.

"Such election, he said, must be made on Form 2031 which will be supplied by any district office of the service.

If coverage is elected, the clergyman will be considered "self-employed" for the purpose of paying the social security tax, even though he receives a salary from a religious organization.

In addition to filing his individual income tax return (Form 1040) the clergyman must also obtain and file the so-called "Schedule C" which is entitled "Profit (or Loss) From Business or Profession."

Part 3 of this schedule is used for the computation of the "self-employment tax" which must be paid by independent business and professional people who are under social security and do not get their tax withheld at the source.

Where the clergyman draws a salary, he will simply report his salary as "profit" from his profession. If he receives fees and other honoraria he also reports them, and is entitled to subtract all traveling expenses and other expenses recognized as legal deductions from net income for clergymen.

If clergymen do not elect coverage this year, they will have a chance to do so next year in filing their 1956 returns. However, if coverage is not elected at that time, the decision will be binding. Where coverage is elected, the clergyman will be obligated to pay the "self-employment tax" every year until his retirement.

Coverage will be retroactive to Jan. 1, 1955, which means that benefits will begin July 1, 1956, for ministers who retire at 65 and for the widows and children of those who die after that date.

## CALENDAR OF PRAYER

February 13 — State Evangelistic Conference, Tupelo, Harrisburg; Rev. C. O. Horne, Tallahatchie Association Missionary.

February 14 — Thomas B. Chaney, Baptist Building; Dr. Claude Bennett, Trustee, Clarke College.

February 15 — D. C. Simmons, Trustee, Baptist Hospital; W. H. Smith, Trustee, Baptist Orphanage.

February 16 — Dr. Judson Chastain, Board of Ministerial Education; Dr. L. E. Green, Education Commission.

February 17 — Rev. J. B. Middleton, Social Service Commission; Miss Mary Ellen Grifflott, Mississippi College staff.

February 18 — Mrs. Dewey Hancock, Clay Association WNU Supt.; James Breland, BSU Director, Delta State College.

February 19 — Rev. D. I. Young, Scott Association Training Union Director; Rev. Franklin Haire, Franklin Association Music Director; Thurmond McMillan, Union County Association Brotherhood President.

## Covenant (Choctaw) Moves, Remodels

Covenant, heretofore located in Choctaw County, has been moved across the county line into Montgomery County (still belonging to the Choctaw County Association) and is now in a building program. The building is undergoing a complete remodeling, with four Sunday School rooms that can be used to enlarge auditorium space. New pews and chairs will be bought.

The church has gone from quarter to half time and added \$100 per year to the pastor's salary.

The Baptist Record and Home Mission magazine are included in the budget, as also are Co-operative Program and Associational Missions.

A landscape artist has drawn a landscape map, hoping to complete the plan in February this year.

When the plans are completed, there will be a cemetery that is planned, and a grove for picnic grounds.

Rev. C. F. Anglin is pastor.

The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of the minutes of the Tallahatchie County Association, which met in 35th annual session on October 14, 1955. The meeting was held with the Spring Hill Church at Oakland. The next session is to be held at the Philipp Church. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

## Winners Of Hymn Contest Announced

CHICAGO (RNS) — A South Carolina woman director of Christian education and a Wisconsin minister, just a year out of seminary, have been named 1956 winners of a national hymn-writing contest for people under 30.

Conducted jointly by the Hymn Society of America and the United Christian Youth Movement, the annual contest was held in connection with National Youth Week, Jan. 25-Feb. 5.

The winners are Miss Mary Ellen Jackson, of First Presbyterian church, Anderson, S. C., and the Rev. Daniel B. Merrick Jr., pastor of the United Church (Baptist and Disciples) in Milwaukee.

Both hymns were based on the Youth Week theme of "Our Citizenship in Christ." Miss Jackson's entry, "Come Forth, O Christian Youth," was written to the tune of "Diademata." The tune of Mr. Merrick's hymn, "O God of Truth, The Power of Nations Free" is "Toulon."

Hymns from all over the country were sent in response to the invitation of the hymn society and the UCYM for young people to submit compositions.

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## CHANGES AMONG THE CHURCHES

Called and Accepted:

H. Franklin Paschall, First, Nashville, Tenn., from Bowling Green, Ky.

M. H. Koonce, First, Moore, Okla.

Virgil Fuller, First, Roosevelt, Okla. from First, Manitow, Okla.

Harold McGlamery, Country Estates Church, Midwest City, Okla. from First, Mangum, Okla.

H. Ernest Hitt, First, Jennings, Okla. from Pawnee, Okla.

J. H. Rodgers, Ideal Street, Seminole, Okla. from Bethel, Anadarko, Okla.

W. E.



## Sunday School Lesson

For February 12, 1936  
By Dr. Clifton J. Allen  
Bible Text: Luke 18:1-14

"Jesus prayed at every major crisis in his earthly life, and he lived always in conscious communion with the Father. He encouraged his followers to pray, and he taught them how to pray with acceptance and power before God. Luke alone gives us the two parables about prayer which we are to study. These parables emphasize two great lessons: persistence in prayer and humility in prayer. There are also other teachings included in these parables, but it is of urgent importance for Christians to apply the central truths of these parables to their own prayer life and seek to achieve more of the unmeasured potentiality in prayer."

**PERSISTENCE IN PRAYER.** This parable seems to have a direct connection with Jesus' teaching about the coming of the kingdom of God. "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint." The coming of the kingdom of God in final triumph may be delayed, but we can expect it with eager anticipation.

In addition to this wider meaning, the parable has specific application for the individual's prayer life. The unrighteous judge of course does not represent God; his character is exactly opposite to the character of God. The judge was heartless and unscrupulous. He represented power utterly void of sympathy or mercy. On the other hand, the widow represented utter weakness and helplessness. She had no money to offer bribes and no influence to exert pressure. She had nothing but persistence, and this made her bold.

The unjust judge granted her plea to get rid of her. His words, "lest by her continual coming she weary me," really mean "lest at last she assault me with her fists." This may have been humor, but it shows that the widow was deadly in earnest. That is the way people ought to pray. If a heartless judge will finally grant justice on this basis, how infinitely much more will God vindicate those who pray with persistence.

**HUMILITY IN PRAYER.** This parable was addressed to the self-righteous who depended upon their own self-righteousness. Let us observe the two characters described by Jesus.

The Pharisee. — He was ty-

## Rev. George Lassett Accepts Ala. Church

Rev. George Lassett has resigned the pastorate of the Hurricane Creek Church in Marion County to accept the call to the Big Creek Church in Coker, Alabama.

Mr. Lassett is a recent graduate of the New Orleans Seminary and plans to enter the University of Alabama in September to work toward a Ph. D. degree in European History. He has served the Berea Church, and the Highland Church in Jackson in previous years.

Mr. Lassett, his wife and two children will live in Coker, Alabama near Tuscaloosa while he studies at the University.

pical of the Pharisees at their best and also typical of their extreme pride. Doubtless he went up to the Temple dressed in fine clothing, the object of many warm salutations and the admiration of the socially respectable. With a parade of piety he began his prayer. Though he addressed God, he really "prayed thus with himself."

His prayer seemed to be an attempt to inform God about how good he was. Throughout, his spirit was one of complacent self-praise and arrogant pride. Actually, there was little reason to pray, for he had no sense of need and no desire to praise God. His prayer amounted to nothing more than play-acting before men. His legalism and vainglory left no room for penitence. He prayed with himself, and he continued to be the same self-righteous and sinful self he had always been.

The publican. — What a contrast to the Pharisee! The publican stood afar off, conscious of being an outcast. With an overwhelming sense of guilt, he would not even lift his eyes up toward God but smote his breast with grief as he cried out for mercy. He felt himself to be "the sinner," for that is actually what he said. With an awful recognition of his own shortcoming — whether it was dishonesty or impurity or unbelief or something else — he yearned to be made right with God and to receive forgiveness for his sins.

No one ever exalts himself when he sees himself before God. Any person will be made humble by a genuine consciousness of the nature of sin and a recognition of his own guilt. When a person comes to God in the spirit of the publican, he will go down to his house justified. God always hears the prayer of a broken and contrite heart.

## State Baptists Rich In History

With Mississippi Baptists to hold their first major statewide meeting in extreme north Mississippi in several years, the public is reminded of their Mississippi history which began just prior to 1800.

The annual state Evangelistic Conference will be held in Tupelo's Harrisburg Church, Feb. 13-14.

Although the denomination had its beginning in the state in south Mississippi in the "Natchez country," north Mississippi has shared in the colorful history of the body.

The first Baptist church to be organized on Mississippi soil was at a point 20 miles north-east of Natchez. Leading in this was Richard Curtis, Jr., who had settled previously in the area, coming from South Carolina.

The original name-Church of Jesus Christ of Cole's Creek, was later changed to Salem. By 1813 the first Baptist association, the Mississippi, was composed of 18 churches.

The first state Convention was organized in 1824, only to be dissolved in 1829 because of opposition. However, another state convention, the one that lives today, was constituted in 1836 in Clear Creek Church, at Washington, in Adams County.

The first publication, the Southwestern Luminary, Rev. Ashley Vaughn, editor, had its beginning also in 1836.

The first seminary, however, antedated the Convention itself. The Mississippi Baptist Education Society had its origin in 1817.

Mississippi College, Clinton, was acquired by the Baptists in 1850. The first orphanage was acquired in 1866.

The State Convention Board came into being in 1873 when the Convention met in Aberdeen. First headquarters was established in Hazlehurst. The first church making a contribution was Meridian's First Church.

The Woman's Missionary Union had its beginning in Oxford, in the 1870's.

In 1881 the largest Baptist church in the state was in Wesson, with 340 members. The Jackson Baptist Church reported 118 members. The Columbus Baptist Church had 170 members.

In 1899 a State B.Y.P.U., Convention was organized and in 1904 a full-time Sunday School Missionary was employed.

The principal Baptist institution in extreme north Mississippi is Blue Mountain College,

## Coop Receipts In Excellent Gain

Mississippi Baptist Cooperative Program receipts for the first quarter of this convention year—November, December, January—totalled \$350,379.34, a gain of \$57,338.03 over the \$293,041.51 contributed the same period a

year ago, it has been revealed by Dr. Chester L. Quarles, executive secretary-treasurer.

January receipts were \$127,734.80, a gain of \$18,696.70 over January a year ago.

The Cooperative Program is the principal channel of mission giving of the denomination. Grand total mission gifts include Cooperative Program contributions and designated gifts.

## Van Winkle, Jackson Plans Youth Revival



Rev. Pete Steelman

A Youth Revival, planned and led by the young people, under the leadership of Charles Smith, your pastor, will be conducted February 12-17 at Van Winkle Church, Jackson.

Rev. Pete Steelman, pastor of Calvary Church, Starkville, will be the evangelist. Tommy Davis, church music director, will lead the singing.

Morning services will be held at 7 o'clock and evening services at 7:15.

The young people are planning cottage prayer meetings and an all-night prayer service in preparation for the revival.

Rev. Herman Milner is the pastor at Van Winkle.

the oldest girls' school in the state.

There are also several extension centers of the Mississippi Baptist Seminary (for Negroes) located in north Mississippi. The State Mission program extends into every area of north Mississippi just as it does into every area of the state.

Since 1900 the work and program of the Mississippi Baptist Convention has grown rapidly and today it stands as the largest denomination in the state.

## Baptist Student Union

CHAS. W. HORN, Secretary  
Box 530 — Phone 2-1600 — Jackson

**THE DIRECTORS SEMINAR**  
Our eighth annual Seminar for BSU Directors and Other Workers, recently held on the Blue Mountain College Campus, was, we believe, one of the best we've had.

President Lawrence T. Lowrey, BSU Director Imogene Polley, the Blue Mountain students and all the "locals" were most hospitable, and the program personnel were, we believe, greatly used of the Lord to inform, to instruct, and to inspire those of us who were present. We missed Directors Louie Farmer, Jr., Miss Southern, and Mrs. R. R. Darby, Perkinson Jr., and the several Faculty Advisers who were unable to attend.

Space forbids more than the mere mention of the helpful discussions brought to us. On Wednesday afternoon, Prof. Will Frank Stealy, of the Blue Mtn. faculty, spoke on "The Christian and International Relations." Dr. T. B. Maston, of Southwestern Seminary, spoke on "Inadequate Conceptions of Christianity" at the Prayer Service of Lowrey Memorial Church Wednesday night, and on "The Christian and Other Races." "The Christian and Communism," and "Counseling" on Thursday. Mr. Jamie Jones, BSU Director for the University of Arkansas, led the group discussions for the Directors in State Senior and "other colleges" and spoke in the Blue Mountain chapel. "Prayer" was discussed by Pastor Maurice Clayton of the Sherman Church, and "Bible Study" by Pastor Joe Triplett, of the Lowrey Memorial Church.

Dr. Charles McGon, of Southern Seminary, Louisville, Ky., brought discussions on "The Mass Media of Religious Communication and You" and "Religious Dramatics." The

consensus was that all of these discussions were very timely and helpful to those of us working among our future leaders.

Thursday evening, your State Secretary was completely and very pleasantly surprised by the presentation of some very beautiful luggage, with name inscribed, given by the local Directors and commemorating our ten years, (on Mar. 19th, next) as State BSU Secretary for Miss. We are very grateful for these thoughtful and useful gifts.

### Miscellaneous

Feb. 15th, remember, is deadline for applying for Student Summer Missions work (mainly Vacation Bible School Work) in Mexico, or the West, or Ohio, or in Miss (Negroes and Indians).

Youth-led Revival volunteers are urged to apply with us soon as possible and to prepare for Y. R. Clinic, Baptist Bldg., Mar. 17th.

The big Christian Education drive for 2 1/2 million dollars has our enthusiastic support. Wish we had a Horner Foundation comparable to the Ford one so that we could help in a big way, but all of us, with little or much, can help. Let's do.

Recruits for Christ, the Foreign Bd. Imm. free for the asking from our office, continues to bless our students, et al.

Besides the Seminar at Blue Mtn., we've been "committeed" on Youth Night of the Miss. Bapt. Conv., worshipped with Midway Church, Jackson, lately.

Clarke students gave \$669.70 to Lottie-Moon offering, we hear.

## Enlisting Men For Bible Study

By Dr. GEO. W. SCHROEDER

The Sunday School department of the Sunday School Board, J. N. Barnette, secretary, has issued a challenge to Southern Baptists which could easily be the turning point for our denomination. Barnette and his capable associates are calling on churches "to get the men in Sunday School." We men of the Brotherhood like the idea. Nothing in our churches today could be more meaningful or pay greater dividends than this undertaking. In fact, it can be said without fear of contradiction that our churches will go forward, mark time, or slowly die in about the direct proportion to the enlistment of men.

Sunday school leaders know that the difference in Sunday Schools in Baptist churches lies in the successful enlistment of man power. In adopting such an objective—that of reaching men for Bible study—these leaders have initiated a most worthy undertaking. The Brotherhood would like to go on record as heartily endorsing this new phase of the Sunday school promotional endeavor.

We of the Brotherhood would add our voices to the earnest pleas of the Sunday School leaders to do something about it. Without a doubt, the time is ripe for such a promotional effort. Never were men more eager and awaiting in greater numbers to the call of God to take their rightful places as witnesses, servants, and leaders in churches all over the land. The phenomenal growth witnessed in our Brotherhood work during the past several years attests to that fact. Our men want to move up and out for Christ. We need to capitalize on that upsurge of interest. We can help do it by enlisting men for Bible study.

Say what you will, reach the men and the effectiveness of all areas in the life of our churches increases tremendously. With enlistment of men our Sunday Schools would solve most of their problems over night. Worship and training services, evangelism, stewardship, Cooperative Program, missions—all these great endeavors of Southern Baptists can be naturally enlarged as we reach more men for Christ. We of the Brotherhood commend the call of our Sunday School leaders across the Convention to "reach the men for Bible study."

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"The secret of prolific growth of Southern Baptists lies in their equal-emphasis on evangelism, missions, and Christian education," according to S. L. Stealey, president, Southeastern Baptist Seminary, Wake Forest, N. C.

UDALL, Kan. (BNS) — Its three former churches destroyed by a tornado, this little community now has four new ones under construction. All are expected to be ready for dedication services May 25, when the city will observe its first "comeback" anniversary after being virtually wiped out by the twister. The new church is Baptist, the first of that denomination to be organized here. Established churches for which new buildings are being erected are the Methodist, Congregational and Nazarene.

## PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE TO PRESENT CONSTITUTION

The Committee on Public Affairs, Walter Pope-Binns, Chairman, will ask the Southern Baptist Convention in Kansas City to approve a proposed Constitution for the Joint Committee on Public Affairs.

The Joint Committee, which is sponsored by six Baptist groups in the United States, has operated within the framework of resolutions and official statements from the two originating bodies, the Southern Baptist Convention and the American Baptist Convention, and from the other Baptist bodies that joined later.

Dr. Carlson, the Executive Secretary, submitted to the Joint Committee the problem as to what was the written authority by which he was to be guided. Was it the Constitution which had been adopted by the Joint Committee, but which had never been formally approved by the sponsoring conventions? Was it the resolutions that had been adopted from time to time by the sponsoring conventions?

The response of the Joint Committee was to appoint a

## 50, 40 and 25 Years Ago

By Rev. J. L. Boyd, Sr.

**50 Years Ago**  
W. T. Foster of Wesson writes of "The Truth of What is Taking Place in Wesson" a town of "near four thousand souls" and the Baptist Church "of about seven hundred and twenty members" whose pastor is Rev. Otto Bamber, who recently gave up his class work at Mississippi College to give his entire time to the Wesson field of "magnificent possibilities." The attendance at church service taxes the capacities of the building, morning and night, over two hundred in Sunday school, church choir of sixty, a mission of the church on the west side with a kindergarten.

**40 Years Ago**  
Elder O. D. Bowen sends to Dr. J. B. Lawrence, Secretary of State Convention Board, his valedictory (Swan Song) report, summarizing his long service as a missionary of the Board along the Gulf Coast and pastor of the churches during their early years of struggle. He had traveled 42,000 miles, preached 2500 sermons, made 10,000 visits in homes of the people, raised \$9,000 for the cause, served as moderator of Gulf Coast Association for sixteen years, wrote historical sketches of the work (invaluable treatise) from 1830 on, and retires at the age of 72 years, after 35 years of labor on the Gulf Coast of his 44 years in the ministry. (Mrs. P. I. Lipsey, Sr. of Clinton is a daughter of Brother Bowen).

**25 Years Ago**  
The Hazlehurst Church closed a great meeting with 45 additions, 21 of them for baptism, Pastor George P. White being assisted by Dr. Len G. Broughton.

**NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (BSSB) —** Calling all parents, teachers, religious leaders, and all who work with people! Dr. Claudia Royal, professor of religious education, Golden Gate Baptist Theological Seminary, Berkeley, Calif., is the author of a new Broadman Press book, STORYTELLING. It is written for parents who want to mean most to their children, for teachers who wish to make friends with their pupils, for religious leaders who want the best for their followers, for all who work with people. The price is \$2.

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## Counselor's Corner

By DR. R. LOFTON HUDSON



Dr. Hudson, pastor of Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri is author of "The Religion of a Mature Person" and "The Religion of a Sound Mind" for the Baptist Record.

### Chain Letters

**QUESTION:** I am interested in knowing what is right about chain letters. I receive so many through the mail. You are supposed to read Matthew 17:20; and if you don't and write four letters sending them to your friends you are breaking the chain and bad luck will follow you in three or four days. They tell of Mrs. So-and-So who got a pile of money for answering one, etc.

**ANSWER:** You think of this? What? Pure bunk! Downright superstition and ignorance! Sin and shame! That's what I think, that is printable. Do people really fall for that stuff in the twentieth century? And in the midst of Bible reading Christians? It is hard to believe.

If Mrs. So-and-So actually received a pile of money, it was dishonest. She got it at the price of stupidity. She prayed upon the childish fears of simple, unthinking people, and that was wrong.

If you are a Christian, for heaven's sake don't let anyone frighten you with "bad luck" threats. All sorts of superstitions — refusing to walk under a ladder, knocking on wood, fear of black cats crossing the road, and all the rest — grow out of a sense of guilt. They are based on the feeling that God is against us. The Gospel of Jesus Christ will deliver us from these fears.

Throw chain-letters in the fire. Pray for the conversion of their senders. And thank God for peace and love and faith.

(Address questions to Dr. Hudson, Wornall Road Baptist Church, Kansas City, Missouri.) —BR—

## BMC Library Receives Rare Books

**BLUE MOUNTAIN, Miss., Feb. 2—**Blue Mountain College Library has been selected to receive one of the 1,600 sets of Great Books of the Western World being distributed through a selection committee of the American Library Association.

The set contains 54 volumes encompassing 443 works by 74 authors . . . spanning Western thought from Homer and the Bible to the 20th century. It totals 32,000 pages, comprising 25,000,000 words. Editorial preparation of the set occupied 10 scholars for eight years and cost \$2,000,000.

The set represents the only publication in English, or the only edition aside from rare or expensive printings, of key works by Aristotle, Hippocrates, Galen, Euclid, Archimedes, Ptolemy, Copernicus, Galileo, Harvey, Descartes, Pascal, Newton, Montesquieu, Kant, Lavoisier, Fourier, Faraday, and Freud.

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## Rural Preaching

By  
CARL A. CLARK  
Associate Professor  
Pastoral Ministry and  
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Southwestern Baptist  
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Southern Baptist rural churches' greatest need is probably great preaching. Good preaching in rural churches is very little different from good preaching in urban churches. But there are a few differences and it is well for us who fill rural pulpits and for those of us who listen to rural preachers to be aware of the needs in this area.

### CONTENT OF RURAL PREACHING

Probably our greatest weakness as Southern Baptist rural preachers is not that we fail to present the message of Christ in its well-rounded context. It is very likely that our greatest weakness is our failure to relate that message to the immediate situation. The man who preaches to rural people needs to take his illustrations from the farms and fields, the barns and pastures, as did the prophets of the Old Testament.

I am afraid there has been a shy suggestion in too many of our minds that mediocre preaching will suffice in rural churches.

Because a congregation is made up of farmers is no excuse today for a minister to preach half-hearted sermons. Because a church is small is no reason that he should be indifferent to his message. Because it is far back from the paved road does not mean that the pastor should do less than his best.

It seems to me that the pastor of a rural church has an unusually favorable opportunity for great preaching. This is what I mean. The pastor of some of our city churches preach to shifting congregations. They have large numbers present on Sunday morning who are not there the next Sunday. The average pastor of the small rural church preaches to the same people fifty-two Sundays per year. To me this means that he should not preach less than his best simply be-

cause he is preaching to the same people. On the contrary, we must do our best to maintain interest on the part of those who hear us every week. This type of preaching necessitates intensive study.

I am firmly convinced that a large congregation ought not to be more challenging than a small congregation. I feel it is more difficult to preach to the same people Sunday after Sunday than it is to preach to a changing congregation. Not only does it make the preacher study more intensively, but I believe it gives him a better opportunity to build great Christians through his pulpit ministry.

To me this means that rural preaching necessitates more advanced planning. Unplanned preaching means too much repetition. Preaching to the same congregation week after week and month after month should challenge a man to plan well in advance in order to present the entire message of Jesus and to do it with variety and interest.

### DELIVERY OF RURAL PREACHING

I used to think that if you preached to a rural church you could whoop and holler all you wanted to and make strong, emotional appeals. I now think this is entirely false. Rural people are no longer patient with this type of delivery. The members of our rural churches are better educated now than years ago and have a higher level of culture. In fact, some pastors tell me they preached to more college graduates in rural churches than they do in city churches. Artificial and bombastic delivery is no longer in good favor in most of our rural churches.

In talking to many different people in many different churches, I sense the feeling that they want their preacher to be natural. They certainly want sincerity, genuineness, and consistency on the part of their preacher. It seems to me they want genuine Christian dedication that actually changes a person's life and are not particularly interested in a preacher who simply tries to make them cry. Emotion has its place in good preaching, but it must be deep and genuine, not superficial.

## SWEDISH BAPTIST LEADERS TO VISIT RUSSIA

STOCKHOLM (RNS) — Six Swedish Baptist leaders will leave shortly for a three-week tour of Russia at the invitation of the All-Soviet Council of Evangelical Christians, Russian Baptist group.

The delegation includes Ruben Swedberg, vice-president of the general director of the S.B.U.'s mission board; and the Rev. Joel Sorenson, youth secretary of the Baptist World Alliance.

Also Eric Strutz, secretary of the board; Dr. Gunnar Westin, professor of church history at Uppsala University and a vice-president of the S.B.U.; and Arvid Svaerd, an editor of the Stockholm daily paper Svenska Morgonbladet.

### APPLICATION OF RURAL PREACHING

The preacher in the usual rural church preaches to a large proportion of children. This, of course, is not always true, but seems to be the general rule. To me this means that the pastor of a rural congregation ought to present his sermons in terms young people understand. I can think of no greater opportunity in the entire Southern Baptist Convention than the privilege of preaching year after year to the boys and girls growing up in our small towns and farms.

I have a question that is seriously troubling my mind. In the past few generations our rural churches have produced more than their share of our ministers and missionaries. With only one-half of the membership of the Southern Baptist Convention our rural churches have produced approximately 75 per cent of the preachers. Why? Perhaps more important than asking why this has been true, is this question: Can our generation of preachers challenge young people in the way former pastors have? Can we preach the gospel so effectively that our rural youth will continue supplying more than their share of our full-time religious workers?

Home life in rural areas has always been stronger and more stable than home life in the

## New Haven (Hinds) Calls New Pastor

New Haven Church in Hinds County has called as their pastor Rev. Wiley Reid.

Mr. Reid, a student at Mississippi College, was recently ordained at Wehman Church in Lincoln County.

There have been eight additions by letter and one by profession of faith.

New Haven Church has a new building under construction.

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THE MAN WHO FORGOT by Clarence E. Macartney (Abingdon Press, Nashville, 2, Tennessee, \$2) contains 12 chapters, each centered on a great or near-great figure of the Bible.

Each sermon (for this is a book of sermons) deals with a common problem in Christian living. Joseph in Egypt performed a kindness for the butler in prison. But the butler forgot.

thus showing ingratitude. Order this dramatic, vivid book of sermons from the Baptist Book Store or the publisher.

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The devil is not afraid of a Bible that has dust on it. — American Folklore Via The Clarion Ledger.

city. The rural preacher has an unusual opportunity to build strong Christian homes.

Again, he has an opportunity to minister to the community in a unique way. For example, in the city the pastor is largely unknown because of the bigness of his city. In the small town or open country church the pastor is well-known by the people and he can know them well. It means he has a responsibility for civic and moral leadership in a very unusual way. It is not always easy to love people when you know too much about them. Someone has said that rural preachers must learn to love people at close range.

To be effective and meaningful, rural preaching must be applicable to the people. If the members of the church are farmers, then the message should deal with the spiritual answers to the many perplexing problems farmers face. If it is to

## Urges Inauguration Be Delayed To Mon.

WASHINGTON, D. C. (RNS)

A clergyman here has urged that the 1957 Presidential inauguration be postponed from Jan. 20, a Sunday, to the following day so as not to disturb the Sabbath.

The Rev. B. H. Hood, Washington spokesman for the Churches of Christ, said that 40 inaugurate the President shortly after noon on Sunday "would disrupt church services from one end of the nation to the other and lead to anything but a prayerful, reverent observance of the Lord's Day."

He referred particularly to the fact that millions throughout the country will want to view the ceremony on television when ordinarily they would be in church.

January 20 was fixed as the inauguration date by the 20th Amendment to the Constitution, adopted in 1933. The amendment makes no provision for the date falling on a Sunday, but simply states that "the

## SURVEY SHOWS PROBLEMS OF 'COMPOSITE' PROTESTANT MINISTER

CHICAGO (RNS) — The average Protestant clergyman spends more time on clerical work than on preparing sermons, according to a survey being made by Dr. Samuel W. Blizard, associate professor of sociology at Pennsylvania State University.

Dr. Blizard, a Presbyterian minister, told 300 clergymen attending Chicago Theological Seminary's annual Ministers Week here that he expects to complete the two-year project next June 30.

He described it as "the most extensive study ever made of the Protestant ministry" and said it was based on a survey of 1,500 local pastors of 22 denominations graduated from 80 different seminaries.

The survey is sponsored by the Russell Sage Foundation. The "composite" minister evoked in the study, Dr. Blizard, said, likes best to preach and conduct worship services for his flock and likes least his roles as organizer and administrator.

He works ten hours a day at being a minister and another six with his family or on personal affairs, and "thinks he is spending most of his time on things he feels least trained for."

The survey also shows the average minister believes seminaries should give more training in human behavior, counseling, organizing and administration, and more useful Biblical and theological courses.

Dr. Blizard said that churchgoers "expect a different sort of thing from their minister now than they did in other generations." The minister's contemporary role, he said, stresses the need for his being able to "live in the world of people as well as the world of ideas."

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The Baptist Record appreciates a copy of minutes of the thirty-fifth annual session of the Pike County Association, which was held with the Silver Springs Church on October 20 and 21. The next meeting will be held with the Bluff Springs Church on October 25 and 26. The minutes are attractively prepared and printed.

## Pocahontas "This Is Your Life" Honors 82-Year-Old Deacon, Wife



At the recent "This Is Your Life" program at Pocahontas Church, honoring Deacon and Mrs. Benjamin F. Whitfield, Mr. and Mrs. Whitfield are shown above receiving a silver tray given by the church and presented by Kirby Middleton, Jr., present Sunday School Superintendent. (Photo by Ed Blake Photos).

The Radio and Television people have no corner on "This Is Your Life" programs. Recently Pocahontas Church honored a beloved and respected couple with a "This Is Your Life" program.

The honorees were Benjamin F. Whitfield, 82-year-old planter who had served as Superintendent of the Sunday School, as clerk and as a deacon of the church and whose grandfather was one of the organizers of Mt. Pisgah Church, predecessor of the Pocahontas Church, and Mrs. Whitfield.

The program was planned by Edward Blake and directed by the pastor, Rev. Joe E. Galle. With the use of a projector and background music recorded by Mrs. Thomas Whitfield, church pianist, slides were shown depicting the early lives of "Mr. Ben" and his wife, the former Eva McClellan of Jackson. Mrs. Whitfield was presented an exquisite orchid corsage by Mrs. A. C. Blake and Mr. Whitfield a white boutonniere by Mrs. D. K. Middleton on behalf of the Woman's Missionary Society.

Kirby Middleton, superintendent of the Sunday School, presented them with a large silver tray inscribed, "Mr. and Mrs. Ben Whitfield, from the Pocahontas Baptist Sunday School."

An additional gift of framed portrait type photographs of them in color was also presented.

Others taking part on the program were Dr. D. M. Nelson, President of Mississippi College, who told of the influence of the Whitfield family in the growth of Mississippi College during the past 100 years; Dr. Hendon Harris, retired Baptist missionary to China and a former pastor of the church; Dr. Theodore, Whitfield, former pastor; Rev. N. F. Greer, now pastor of the Morton Church and a former pastor; and Rev. Ted Lea, former pastor and now pastor of the Salem Church.

## MC Enrolment Sets New Record

Clinton — Mississippi College enrolment for the third term of 1955-56 school year has broken all records, according to Registrar Troy Mohon. A total of 104 new students brought enrolment to 1,703.

Dr. D. M. Nelson, president of the college, told students at the new term began that the school curriculum has expanded and the faculty enlarged to take care of the growing enrolment. "We now have a staff of 101," he said, "and 27 of the teaching faculty have the highest degree given in their field."

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## FOREIGN MISSION BOARD BUILDING HELD TAX FREE

The headquarters building of the Southern Baptist Foreign Mission Board is exempt from taxation, J. Elliott Drinard, Richmond city attorney, ruled recently.

In an opinion sent to City Assessor J. Edward Rountree, Drinard held that the Foreign Mission Board is "sufficiently similar to a Young Men's Christian Association to be within the tax-exemption provision" of Section 183 of the Virginia State Constitution. That section provides tax-free status for YMCA's and similar organizations.

Richmond city officials had advised the Board last November that its buildings would go on the tax rolls January 1, 1957, unless it was subsequently determined that the property should not be taxed. Dr. Baker James Cauthen, executive secretary of the Board, and Mr. L. Howard Jenkins, president, protested the decision on the grounds that the Foreign Mission Board is strictly a non-profit agency of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The November ruling held "that, generally, property used as headquarters for a diocese or denomination was not tax exempt." Drinard emphasized in that decision, however, that he was speaking "generally" and that each case would have to be considered individually. Yesterday's opinion was the first that dealt specifically with the Foreign Mission Board property.

"The purpose of both the Young Men's Christian Association movement and the Foreign Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention," said Drinard in yesterday's decision, "seems to be the advancement of Christianity." There are some major differences between the two, he said, but he doubted that the differences keep "the two institutions from being similar in the sense of Section 183."

The Foreign Mission Board has held up plans for a new building, pending a final decision on the tax question.

## Immanuel Plans New Auditorium

Sunday, February 12 will be a day of great historical significance for the 48-year-old Immanuel Church at Hattiesburg, according to a report received from the pastor, Dr. R. Elmer Nielsen. That day will mark the last services in the old auditorium which is being replaced with a new structure to fill the needs of a growing community and a growing William Carey College which is located across the street.

The present pastor assumed his duties September 1, 1952. In that time there have been 371 total additions to the church membership with 111 of these for baptism. Total gifts have more than doubled while mission giving has tripled.

A special service is planned for 3 p.m. on the 12th. All former members and pastors are especially invited to be present as the history of the old building is recounted along with plans for the new. Recognition will be given to all who were present for the first service in the old building in 1908.

The new auditorium will be colonial style. Its dimensions will be 56 x 110 feet with a seating capacity in excess of 1000. Plans are to have the auditorium completed by early fall.

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## Liberty Progresses

Since Rev. W. D. Ellingburg was called as pastor of the Liberty Church in Rankin County early in the church year, the church has made progress as evidenced by the following facts:

The church has gone from half-time to full-time services. A Brotherhood and all the WMU organizations have been begun.

The Sunday School attendance has grown from an average attendance of 40 to an average of 75. On a recent Sunday there was a record attendance of 82.

## Brooksville Church Calls New Pastor

Brooksville Church recently called as their pastor Rev. Newell Massey. Mr. Massey began his work there on February 1.

For the past three years Mr. Massey has served as pastor of the Lake Dreamland Church in Louisville, Kentucky. A mission when he accepted the pastorate there, Lake Dreamland was fully organized as a church two months later. During his three years service the membership grew from 47 to 210; the Sunday School membership grew from 38 to 225 (from seven classes to 13 departments); a Training Union was organized with an enrollment of 100; a WMU, with all its organizations, was begun; the church was remodelled; finances tripled; and a church bus was bought. Just prior to Mr. Massey's leaving the pastorate there, the church had voted to build a complete new church plant.

Mr. Massey attended Mississippi College and Southern Seminary. He has served as Educational Director at River Avenue, Hattiesburg, Music Director at First Church, Durant, assistant pastor at First Church, Leland, and pastor of the Bogue Mission, Leland. He is married to the former Barbara Ann Donahue, native of Leland and graduate of Mississippi College. They have one daughter, Jo Ann, 2.

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Teachers and leaders who work with children will benefit by reading PACK O' FUN, the Scrapcraft magazine. It is packed with practical, timely ideas for craftwork at little or no cost. It is especially helpful for those working with children under 12. It gives simple directions for making amusing toys, holiday crafts, party favors, Greek projects, like dioramas and puppets, and a clever skit is included in each month's issue. All ideas are tested for practicality and emphasis is placed on the use of scrap and discarded materials. Single subscriptions are \$1.50 and groups of five are \$1 each. The address is 741 Devon Avenue, Parkridge, Illinois.

## SHUBUTA CHURCH HAS NEW PASTOR



Rev. Louie E. Johnson, Jr.

and his family were welcomed to Shubuta Church with a reception and pantry shower January 25. They also found a renovated pastorage.

Mr. Johnson and his family are native Mississippians and have come to Shubuta from the Mossville Church in Jasper County where they served fifteen months.

Mr. Johnson is a graduate of Mississippi College and the New Orleans Seminary, with the B. A. and B. D. degrees.

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Dr. Gordon H. Schroeder and Dr. Allan R. Knight have published jointly for new church members a student's manual for a pastor's instruction class entitled THE NEW LIFE, SIX STUDIES ON THE NEW LIFE IN CHRIST. The six chapters are "Accept the New Life," "Declare the New Life," "Grow in the New Life," "Enjoy the New Life," "Share the New Life," and "The Purpose of the Book is to help the young Christian succeed in the Christian life. The book covers completely the teachings essential to the Christian life. It should prove valuable to all pastors. Published by the American Baptist Publication Society, 1703 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. It may be purchased from them or from the Baptist Book Store.

## Preachers and Ulcers

"I read an article some time ago which stated that nearly every modern business man was supposed to have at least one ulcer. Several reasons were listed as being chiefly responsible—one was the labor problem, another was the keen competition, high overhead and several other things."

"When I read this article I could not help from thinking how many ulcers the poor business man would have if he worked under such trying circumstances as a Baptist preacher."

"Suppose, Mr. Business Man, you were overseer of 1,200 workers (about the membership of our church). Suppose that only 50 per cent ever showed up for work at any one time, only a about half of them, with any degree of regularity."

"And suppose that if only one out of every five of your workers showed up after lunch (like our evening worship service) and every time one of them had a slight headache or company to visit them, they 'took off' that day. And every time it thundered or even a slight flash of lightning in the sky, 75 per cent of your workers pulled the cover over their heads and never appeared for duty that day."

"Suppose your workers only worked 'when they felt like it' and still you must be very sweet and never fire one of them. To get them to work you beg them, plead with them, pat them on the chin, and use every means under the sun to try to get them to do the work."

"Suppose your firm was heavily obligated to meet certain financial responsibilities and you had to depend upon your people to give and they felt led to carry out the biggest business in the world."

"You wonder why we do not throw in the towel or run to the bridge and end it all? That's what many of you have done. We probably would if it were not for the number who love the Lord. These are our pride and joy, the salt of the earth."

"So, you think you have ulcers, Mr. Business Man? You ought to be in our shoes for a while."

—Copied Via Bulletin, First Church, Columbia.